

HICKMAN, KY., IS FACING STARVATION

Only Three Days' Supply of Food on Hand and the City is Inaccessible by Railroad

FLOOD MORE MENACING IN DELUGE CENTERS

Fully 300,000 Acres of Farm Lands Under Water and 900,000 More Acres Left Untilled Because of the Situation—Number of Lives Lost Increased to Eight—Government Engineers More Hopeful Government Levees Will Hold.

Area affected by the flood caused by almost unprecedented volume of water in the Mississippi was not extended a great deal yesterday, but the situation at the deluge centers continued last night to become more menacing.

Persons have been driven from homes. Charitable organizations are taxed to their capacity. The gas plant was put out of commission, and side is in distress.

Reports from New Madrid, Mo., are that the town is flooded, but no loss of life is reported. The damage is not known. The gravity of the situation is not limited to river towns.

Business District Under Water. Lexington, Ky., April 3.—Beattyville, on the Kentucky river, reports most of the business district under water.

Appeals to Governor for Aid. Jefferson City, Mo., April 3.—Governor Hadley received telegram today appealing for aid from the mayor of New Madrid and from Representative Conroy for state help for the flood sufferers in that county.

Red Cross Sends Funds. Washington, April 3.—Telegrams were sent from the National Red Cross headquarters here today to Governors McCleary of Kentucky and Hadley of Missouri stating that \$500 would be sent to each of these states as the nucleus of a local fund for flood sufferers.

Hickman, Ky., is the worst sufferer. The 2,000 homeless inhabitants of the town were augmented today by the arrival of 1,000 refugees from Dorena, Mo. The food supply at Hickman will last but three days more.

HEDGES HELD WITHOUT BAIL ON MURDER CHARGE.

Will Be Tried at Next Term of the Superior Court.

Greenwich, Conn., April 3.—Judge Charles H. Burdick in a horrid case this afternoon, found probable cause in the case of Roland Hedges, charged with the murder of James G. Stewart at Sound Beach April 1, and bound him over to the next term of the superior court without bond.

Hedges, it is alleged, struck Stewart on the head with a hammer, the blow later causing death, as the sequel of a job played on him April 30th day.

Prosecuting Attorney Henry B. White called four witnesses to the stand: Robert Stewart, brother of the murdered man, who told of the scuffle in which his brother was struck on the head; John Dorena, who testified that the two men in a tussle just before the fatal assault; William Scotanus, who gave interior details of the job which it is said Stewart played on Hedges;

and Dr. Clark, the medical examiner, who testified that the cause of death was a hemorrhage of the brain. There had been no symptoms of a fracture of the skull until a few minutes before death, two hours after the man had been hit.

Attorney Homer S. Cummings, ex-mayor of Stamford, counsel for Hedges, put one witness on the stand for the witness, John Meral, who testified as to the fight in the barn before the fatal assault. He said that Stewart hit Hedges on the head with a wrench while the latter was cleaning a stall in the stable.

TO SUPPRESS SALE OF HABIT-FORMING DRUGS.

National Association of Retail Drug-ists to Seek Federal Legislation.

Chicago, April 3.—Methods of suppressing the sale of habit-forming drugs were discussed at the midyear meeting of the officers and executive committee of the National Association of Retail Drugists held here today.

Federal legislation will be sought prohibiting illegitimate interstate traffic in cocaine and similar drugs. "People seem to think that druggists foster the sale of these habit-forming drugs, but the fact is we are decidedly opposed to it," said Herman G. Shuppert of Savannah, Ga.

"Peddlers and disreputable doctors are the persons who engage in this traffic. Federal legislation is needed to cure this rapidly growing evil."

Clean Bill of Health for McCullum.

Easton, Conn., April 3.—The expert accountant who was hired by the town to make an examination into the accounts of Town Treasurer P. C. McCullum has reported that he has found the books in good condition. Not only that, but he has money due him from several sources. Politics is said to have been back of the investigation.

Pensions for Telephone Employees.

Boston, April 3.—A pension system for the employees of the New England Telephone & Telegraph Co., numbering about 13,000 persons, to go into effect July 1, was announced tonight by the directors of the company. The entire cost of the plan will be borne by the telephone company and no contributions will be asked from employees.

Wrote Teddy's Name on Ballot.

Oshkosh, Wis., April 3.—Although his name was not on the list, Wesley Shago county in yesterday's presidential primary recorded 23 votes for ex-President Roosevelt. His admirers wrote the name on the ballots.

Quadruplets Born at Guthrie.

Guthrie, Okla., April 3.—Mrs. J. A. Tusharop of this city gave birth to four boys today. The babies are all alive and vigorous. The father of the children is a third cousin of Governor Jason Harmon of Ohio.

MRS. NICODEMUS SAYS SHE WANTED TO DIE

Husband, She Testifies, Showed Her How to Attach Gas Tube.

New York, April 3.—In faltering tones, interrupted by hysterical outbursts, Mrs. Genevieve Nicodemus completed on the witness stand today her account of the cruelty inflicted upon her by her husband, Frank Nicodemus, for whose killing she is on trial.

"I can't believe he is dead. I did not see him die," exclaimed the young woman, when her counsel pressed her for details of the shooting. Later, she said, when asked if she intended to kill her husband, "Before God, I did not. I loved him and would give my life to bring him back."

Letters she wrote to her husband containing endearing terms were read. One of them, written shortly before the shooting, pleaded with Nicodemus, "before I say good-bye to you forever," to "come and see me just once."

In reply to this letter her husband came, she said. "I ran forward to meet him, thinking he was going to take me in his arms," she testified. "Instead he struck me in the face." She wanted to die, she said, and "Frankie" attached a gas tube to her bedroom gas jet to show her how easy it would be to die.

Other witnesses testified that Nicodemus was an associate of vicious persons. The defendant's counsel today set up a hypothetical question, predicating insanity.

ENTICED GIRLS OF TENDER AGE.

Meriden Girl of 14 Causes Arrest of Springfield Man.

Meriden, Conn., April 3.—The local police today received word from Springfield, Mass., of the arrest there of Joseph ("Nig") Popale, aged about 22 years, in connection with a charge of enticing young girls for immoral purposes. Popale formerly lived here.

Recently Elsie Wilson, aged 14 years, received a letter from Minnie Bradley, who has been away from the city for about two months, asking her to join her, and Rose Goedtel, another Meriden girl who has been missing for five weeks, in Springfield, where the letter said they were having a good time and making "an easy living."

The Bradley girl is an orphan and 15 years old; the Goedtel girl is 15 years of age. The Wilson girl showed the letter to her parents and it was given into the hands of the police, who at once began an investigation. They instructed the Wilson girl to reply that she would go to Springfield. She went there this morning, and a detective went on the same train. She was met at the railroad station by one of the two girls and Popale and taken to a house, the detective following. As the three entered the house Popale was placed under arrest, as was the girl with him. The police say they expect to take the other girl into custody very shortly.

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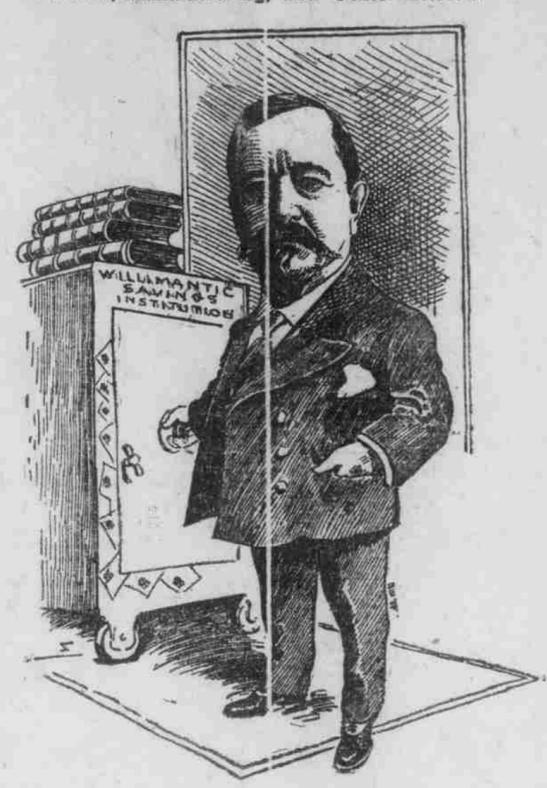
George Bleekman.

New York, April 3.—George Bleekman, a well known yachting expert, marine artist and newspaper man, died today in a hospital from apoplexy. Mr. Bleekman was 49 years old. He had been in the newspaper business in New York city for the last 25 years, having been reaching editor of the New York Herald, Sun and Times. At the time of his death he was managing editor of The Drygoods, a trade newspaper.

Cherry Trees Planted at Grant's Tomb.

New York, April 3.—The first of 3,000 cherry trees, the gift of the city of Tokio to the city of New York, were planted today at Grant's tomb under the direction of Park Commissioner Stover. A representative gathering of Japanese citizens took part in the ceremony. A tablet made in the Tokio arts school, commemorating the gift, will be placed nearby.

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Cabled Paragraphs Condensed Telegrams

St. Petersburg, April 3.—The newspapers announce that Emperor Nicholas will meet the German emperor in Finnish waters in July.

Amoy, China, April 3.—The United States protected cruiser Albany, which has been in Amoy since March 25, sailed for Olongapo in the Philippines this morning.

Paris, April 3.—The American chamber of commerce today held a reception in honor of Arthur Balfour, secretary of the British embassy, who is about to leave for Tokio, where he is to be secretary of embassy. He was presented a loving cup.

Perth, Western Australia, April 3.—Wreckage picked up off the coast appeared to seal the fate of the fifty passengers and the eighty men of the crew of the British steamer Koombana, which has been missing since the disastrous typhoon that prevailed on the northwest coast of Western Australia during the last week of March.

Vienna, April 3.—Telegrams from Zagreb, capital of Croatia, announce that owing to the landing elections, which resulted in an overwhelming majority in favor of the severance of Croatia from Hungary, absolute government has been proclaimed there. The constitution has been suspended and all authority is vested in a royal commissioner.

John O. Johnson, the Representative of an oyster company of Providence, R. I., in investigating the condition of the oyster beds of Prince Edward Island.

President Taft Has Furnished the money for markers for the graves of six soldiers of the American Revolution who are buried in Mendon, Mass.

An increase in the wages of the mill operatives and back boys employed by J. & P. Cona Co., thread manufacturers, at Pawtucket, R. I., was announced yesterday.

Just a Year from the Day his wife died, John Drumble, 55 years old, was found asphyxiated in the American house at Pawtucket, R. I. yesterday. It was suicide.

Paul M. Lathrop, son of the mayor of Springfield, had fined \$100 and costs in the Hartford police court yesterday for speeding his car, which overturned three several weeks ago.

THE DAY IN CONGRESS.

Approval of Bill for International Inquiry of High Cost of Living.

Washington, April 3.—The day in congress. Senate: Beet and cane sugar growers protested against house free sugar bill before finance committee.

Foreign relations committee approved Crawford bill for international inquiry into high cost of living. Agriculture committee ordered favorable report on bill creating a division of markets in department of agriculture.

Chairman Sutherland of employers' liability commission submitted judicial committee's favorable report on commission's workmen's bill and announced he would ask its consideration Monday.

House: Foreign affairs committee decided to report favorably resolution directing state department to insist upon immediate settlement by Mexico of claims of Americans.

Florida Everglades investigating committee concluded its hearings. Miscellaneous bills considered. Secretary of Agriculture Wilson told Florida Everglades lands investigating committee that original excerpt of Major Wright's report had been given out with his consent.

Majority Leader Underwood announced the legislative programme from now on would be confined to appropriation and supply bills.

Meriden Chooses Taft Delegates. Meriden, Conn., April 3.—The republican town convention tonight selected six delegates to the state convention at New Haven. There were no contests and the general understanding was that the Meriden delegation represented the Taft sentiment in the party. William H. Lyon is the chairman of the delegation.

Steamship Arrivals. At Naples: April 2, Anacons, from New York. At Liverpool: April 3, Campania, from New York. At Marseilles: March 31, Sant'Anna, from New York. At Havre: April 3, Chicago, from New York.

Neck and Back Broken by Fall

FORBIDDEN TO HELP OUTLAWS

AVIATOR RODGERS BURIED IN WRECKAGE OF BIPLANE.

LIVED A FEW MOMENTS

Victim Was Making Flight at Long Beach, Cal.—Was First Man to Cross the Country in Aeroplano.

Long Beach, Cal., April 3.—Calvin P. Rodgers, the first man to cross the American continent in an aeroplano, was killed here almost instantly late today when his biplane, in which he had been soaring over the ocean, fell from a height of 200 feet and buried him in the wreckage. His neck was broken and his body badly smashed by the engine of his machine. He lived but a few moments.

Had Been Carrying Passengers. Rodgers for a week past had been making daily flights here and had taken up with him many passengers, both men and women. Today he started from his usual place and soared out over the ocean, crossing the pier and then turned and dipped down to a roller coaster in a beach amusement park.

Dove Into Flock of Seagulls. Seeing a flock of gulls sporting themselves among a great shoal of sardines just over the buoys, Rodgers again turned and dove down into the sea, scattering the sardines in all directions. Highly elated with the outcome of his dive, he then flew out to sea, all the time gradually rising until he had reached a height of 200 feet.

Machine Makes Frightful Descent. Making a short turn he started at full speed for the pier, then suddenly inclined his planes and his machine began a frightful descent. He was seen by hundreds of persons on the pier to relax his hold on the levers, and then, seemingly realizing that he was in danger, made a strenuous effort to pull the nose of his machine into a level position.

Big Engine on His Back. Falling in this he managed to turn his craft further in shore and an instant later the craft fell with a crash not 500 feet from the spot where on December 10 last he finished his ocean to ocean flight. Many men rushed to his aid, Ernest Scott and James Goodwin, life guards, were first to reach him. They said Rodgers' head was hanging over one wing of the machine, the heavy engine was on his back and his feet were drawn up nearly double over his shoulders. Blood was flowing from his mouth.

Wife and Mother Notified. Rodgers was lifted from the wreck and hurried to the bathroom hospital. He died on the way. Examination showed that his neck, jawbone and back were broken. A telegram was sent to Rodgers' widow, who lives in Pasadena, Cal., and cablegram to his mother, Mrs. H. S. Schweitzer, who is now in London. The body was prepared for burial and sent to Pasadena tonight.

Machine Won \$11,000 in Prizes. The machine that Rodgers used to fly was the one with which he won \$11,000 in prizes last July at the Chicago insurance meet. It is a total wreck, many parts having been swept out to sea by the tide.

PARIS AUTOMOBILE BANDIT CAPTURED.

Made Attempt at Suicide, But Had Been Sold Harmless Pill.

Paris, April 3.—Carouy, one of the automobile bandits who killed a chauffeur at Villeneuve-St. Georges, held up a bank at Chantilly, killing two of the employees, and stole \$3,000, was arrested today. He was taken to police headquarters, where he attempted to kill himself. The police were informed that a bicyclist answering the description of Carouy was seen at Grand-Montour. Joun, assistant superintendent of the detective service, at once proceeded there and traced the man through Croix de Berry to France, where the trail was lost. The search was taken up by Supt. Guichard today and the man was run to earth in front of the railroad station at Losers, some miles out of Paris. The police jumped from their automobile and surrounded and pinioned him before he was able to draw either of two automatic pistols with which he was armed.

Carouy did not attempt to deny his identity. "Yes, I am Carouy, all right," he said. "I belong to the band you are looking for." But to other questions he gave no answer.

Carouy, watching a favorable opportunity, swallowed a tabloid. Police officers, however, subjected him to such energetic treatment that the poison failed to act.

Later it was discovered by the doctors that instead of taking poison, Carouy swallowed a harmless compound, which a druggist had sold him in place of a deadly preparation which he thought he was purchasing. When Carouy said, "I am going to die," the doctors laughed and replied: "Not at all. What you have taken will do you good."

The prisoner was indignant at a report printed in the newspapers that he had given the police information as to the other members of the band.

MINERS VOTE TO REMAIN OUT UNTIL APRIL 22

Proposal to Return Pending Outcome of Referendum Voted Down.

Pittsburgh, April 3.—Union miners throughout western Pennsylvania, numbering 50,000, will remain idle until Monday, April 22. This decision was reached today at the annual convention of District No. 6 (Pittsburgh) United Mine Workers of America. At the suggestion of District President Feehan, the poorly organized Mercer-Bulter-Armstrong county field will be accepted and the men there will be kept at work with the companies paying the increased wages.

A proposal to have the miners resume work next Monday pending the result of the referendum vote on the Cleveland wage scale compromise agreement was voted down unanimously.

Waterbury Baptist Church Burns.

Waterbury, Conn., April 3.—An overheated pipe in the cellar of the first Baptist church ignited the wood around it shortly after 10 o'clock tonight, and in less than half an hour the building was a seething furnace, which continued to baffle the united efforts of all the firemen in the city until 11 o'clock, when the building was in ruins. The loss is estimated at \$75,000.

FORBIDDEN TO HELP OUTLAWS

GOVERNOR'S PROCLAMATION TO VIRGINIA CITIZENS.

COUSIN IS ARRESTED

Accused of Assisting Courthouse Assassins—Jack Allen, Father of Friel, Suffers an Apoplectic Stroke.

Hillsville, Va., April 3.—The state of Virginia took a hand today in the campaign to starve the two free courthouse assassins out of their mountain stronghold. Governor Mann issued a proclamation calling upon all citizens to withhold aid from Sidney Allen and Wesley Edwards, the only two unrepentant members of the outlaw troop which shot up Carroll courthouse nearly a month ago, and threatening prompt prosecutions for any person who does assist them.

Cousin Arrested as Accessory.

This action had been arranged after conferences with the heads of the posse, and today Detectives Baldwin, Payne and Edwards rode twenty miles into the Fancy Gap section and arrested Jordan Edwards, a cousin of Wesley, and one of the Allen kinsmen, and locked him up on a charge of being an accessory after the fact in the courthouse murders.

Outlaws Have Received Aid.

With the backing of the governor it is now expected that raids on the Allegheny who populate this district will be frequent. The detectives say they have been hampered in their hunt by false clues and trails. They are certain that Allen and Edwards have received aid. Without it their capture is a question of days.

Jack Allen Has Shock.

The posse put in another unsuccessful day scouring the mountain thickets. The search told, however, that old Jack Allen, father of Friel, now in jail for the shooting. He suffered a stroke of apoplexy.

INCREASES ANNOUNCED IN SEVERAL OF MILLS.

Labor Situation Clearing Everywhere Except at Lowell.

Boston, April 3.—Wage increases which are expected to restore industrial peace in cotton mills at Warren and Clinton, where operatives are on strike, were announced today. Officials of the three mills of the Thorndike company in Warren, which have been closed for a fortnight, gave notice tonight after a conference with some of the strikers that the mills will be reopened tomorrow morning and that a new wage schedule "based on increases in other sections" will be put into effect. Eight hundred hands are employed at these mills.

At the Lancaster mills in Clinton, which have been shut down for two weeks because of a strike, an increase averaging 10 per cent was announced. It will affect 2,500 hands.

Notices of advances were also posted at the Palmer cotton mills at Three Rivers, employing about 900 hands; the cotton mills of the Thorndike company at Thordike, 600 hands, and the mills of the Boston Duck company at Bondville, 600 hands.

The 3,500 operatives in the cotton mills of the Nashua and Jackson Manufacturing company in Nashua, N. H., learned today that they will benefit by a 10 per cent wage advance.

In Lowell, where 14,000 operatives are in idleness on account of the strike and lockout, no progress toward a settlement was apparent today.

MADERO TROOPS GAIN THEIR FIRST VICTORY

Defeat General Campa and Put Him to Flight.

Jimenez, April 3.—The troops of President Madero gained their first victory in the northern campaign when they defeated the liberal general, Campa, at Parral, and sent him scurrying back to the base at this city.

Instead of finding a handful of defenders at Parral under General Campa, he was met by a deadly fire from a force which he estimated at 2,000 under command of Generals Villa, Terrell, Urdaneta and Soto.

Campa opened the fight at dawn yesterday, firing his batteries with his artillery. In attempting to press closer, he was met by a withering fire and twelve wounded, according to his own report today, besides the loss of one of his big guns.

The federal force gave chase when Campa retreated. The latter left a rear guard of 400 under Major Quevedo to check and harass the federals and to cover his retreat.

Separation Caused Shooting.

Providence, R. I., April 3.—Rather than agree to a continued separation, James M. Gunner, a machinist, aged 44, attempted tonight to murder his wife Louise, and then shot himself in the head, driving instantly. Mrs. Gunner is expected to recover, though she has a wound in the head. The couple had lived apart nearly a year.

21,000 Europeans Arrive in Canada.

Winnipeg, Man., April 3.—Twenty-one thousand settlers for the Canadian northwest arrived from the old country today. Ninety per cent of the newcomers are from Great Britain, the others being from different parts of Europe. Most of those who arrived today will proceed to the western provinces of Canada to settle on farms.

Twelve Years for Dishonest Banker.

Mexico City, April 3.—George L. Ham, president of the defunct United States Banking company, was today sentenced to twelve years' imprisonment on three counts of the indictment against him charging misappropriation of the funds of the institution. Ham has been confined in the federal district prison since the failure of the bank in January, 1910.

Killed by Washington Express.

New Haven, Conn., April 3.—Bernard Donahue, aged 42, a watchman employed by the New York, New Haven and Hartford Railroad company, was struck by the Washington express in the East Haven tunnel early this evening and instantly killed. He lived at 276 Putnam street and was single.

New Haven Democrats Harmonious.

New Haven, Conn., April 3.—Everything was harmonious at the democratic city convention here tonight, and 26 delegates, headed by ex-Mayor James B. Martin, were elected to attend the state convention to be held in Bridgeport May 1.