

FIFTEEN LIVES LOST IN FLOODS AT ERIE, RESULT OF STORM

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...of the drowning of a quarter of a hundred, though lost in the flood, were obscure. The body of John Higgins, washed up at 6th and German streets, was the only body recovered at day-light. The life-saving crews from the Lake Erie shore front and the members of the naval militia have already started the search for others known to have been swept away.

The narrow escape of Fire Chief McMahon with four firemen, in a successful attempt to rescue three women, led to the report of their death, but they jumped to safety from second story windows as the house was washed away from under them.

Only three serious accidents had been reported at the hospitals up to an early hour this morning. Two would-be rescuers were struck by floating debris and suffered broken legs, while a third was nearly drowned when the Fourteenth Street bridge was swept away.

The rushing of the water down State street flooded nearly every store on the thoroughfare, and the wreckage added to the damage by smashing hundreds of display windows.

Through the night the torrent of rain continued, only brief intervals of clear weather. Only the wide mouth of the creek at the lake shore prevented a much more serious devastation. Piles of debris on the streets intersecting the path of the flood were heaped up five feet high in some cases, and similar refuse washed into homes along the course of the stream caused perhaps the greatest items of damage.

A dozen of the largest plants in the city will be closed down for ten days or two weeks, until the machinery in the first floors can be cleared away.

Wreckage Lodged in Culverts. Stretches of Mill creek had been covered over in several places, and homes and factories had been built over the ordinarily quiet stream. Wreckage lodged in those culverts and caused the water to back up until it spread far over each side.

Early this morning, as details of the disaster began to collect, the story of Firemen Sherry and Bates stood out among the scores of heroic acts. Taking a girl from her home on the creek bank, they started down the telephone pole which had enabled them to reach her when the house fell against the stream by the almost superhuman efforts of other firemen.

and piled up in the path of the waters. Scores of people were at the time inside of these houses and under the debris. One woman who was preparing to retire was hurled from her home nude and was rescued at 17th street, two blocks from her home.

Three hundred flood sufferers were temporarily housed in the National Guard Armory. Little children who had been separated from parents and parents frantically searching for children huddled together in a pitiable plight.

The Erie Dry Goods Company, a large department store, opened its doors and distributed clothing to the flood sufferers. The board of commerce sent a notice broadcast for sufferers to go to the Reed House for relief and this organization has started a relief fund.

About 200 persons are housed in the City Rescue Mission and hospitals and other charitable institutions opened their doors to the distressed.

It was estimated at midnight that 2,000 persons are homeless. In 1893 a similar flood occurred in Erie. The Erie Dry Goods Company, a large department store, opened its doors and distributed clothing to the flood sufferers.

Lake Shore and Nickel Plate Roads Tied Up by Washouts and Bridges Swept Away. BUFFALO, N. Y., August 4.—Traffic between the east and west over both the Lake Shore and the Nickel Plate railroads was completely tied up from the time the cloudburst let go over Erie last night until 8 o'clock this morning.

Reports of damage to tracks began to come through before midnight, and at that hour word was received that all four tracks of the Lake Shore and those of the Nickel Plate had been swept away between Erie and Mooreheads, the first station east of Buffalo.

Trains that had been passed through Buffalo westbound were recalled early today and sent over the Michigan Canadian line to Detroit. These included the Twentieth Century westbound, which left New York yesterday afternoon; the Boston and Chicago special, the Southwestern special, leaving New York at 10 o'clock yesterday; and the Big Four Limited, which left New York at 10 o'clock yesterday.

The rainstorm covered all of northern Pennsylvania and western New York. It began with a terrific downpour yesterday afternoon and continued practically without cessation all through the night and well on today. In no place except in the immediate vicinity of Erie, however, did it approach the cloudburst stage.

NEW YORK AND SUBURBS LASHED BY HEAVY GALE

Small Schooner Near Harbor Entrance Sinks, Captain and One Sailor Drown.

NEW YORK, August 4.—Streets in New York city and its suburbs were turned into yellow rivers, surface and elevated traffic was badly crippled, wires were blown into a tangled network, trees uprooted and hundreds of cellars flooded in a torrential down-pour that broke over the metropolitan section this forenoon to the accompaniment of a sixty-mile gale.

Nearly three inches of rain fell in four hours at Sandy Hook, where a southeaster lashed the ocean into fury. Vessels were held up at the harbor entrance and during the height of the gale a small schooner, the M. V. B. Chase, from Cheverie, N. S., to Norfolk with plaster, went to the bottom. Her captain and a sailor were drowned in a small boat. Coast guards rescued the four other members of the crew.

Damage on New Jersey Coast. Along the northern coast of New Jersey the gale wreaked damage difficult to estimate. Seabright, swept by the ocean three times, within eighteen months, was battered again.

In a dozen parts of New York city and Brooklyn the streets lay under water from two to three feet deep. From Coney Island and Sea Gate came reports of the worst gale that has swept the city since the cloudbursts accompanied by hail and a windstorm in the Deschutes river valley, 100 miles east of here, Monday, according to information received here.

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\$30,000,000 Bride on Her Honeymoon.



Mr. and Mrs. Howard Spaulding, Jr.

Within a short time after Miss Catherine Barker, the \$30,000,000 heiress, was wedded to Howard Spaulding, Jr., one of her employes of Chicago, the pair boarded a train for the south. But they did not run off from the photographers and hide

like most wealthy young couples. They permitted the camera men to board their car and take a picture of them at breakfast. This photograph, therefore, shows the couple just after they had finished their cantaloupes.

stated that the storm had ruined the crops. Telegraph and telephone service in the country was crippled. In Toronto the rainfall up to 10 o'clock last night was three inches. FARM INUNDATED IN OREGON. Crops Ruined and Number of Houses Swept Away.

PORTLAND, Ore., August 4.—Farms were inundated, crops ruined, a number of houses swept away and several persons narrowly escaped drowning as a result of three cloudbursts accompanied by hail and a windstorm in the Deschutes river valley, 100 miles east of here, Monday, according to information received here.

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CHESAPEAKE BAY STORM THE FIERCEST IN YEARS

Hamburg-American Liner Bulgaria Crashes Into Baltimore Pier. Many Small Boats Ashore.

BALTIMORE, August 4.—One of the fiercest storms that ever visited this section swept over Chesapeake bay last night, causing damage which will run into thousands of dollars.

Along the bay and river shores hundreds of small craft, mainly pleasure boats, were torn from their moorings and cast ashore. So far as learned there was no loss of life.

The Hamburg-American liner Bulgaria, which has been tied up at this port ever since the European war began, broke her lines and was carried into a Pennsylvania railroad pier, adjoining her dock, demolishing about sixty feet of the concrete retaining wall. The Bulgaria apparently was not damaged.

Have de Grace suffered severely along the water front. The wharves there were flooded to a depth of several feet by the abnormally high tide. Houses in low-lying streets in Elkton were flooded and the occupants driven to the upper floor, from which they were taken in rowboats.

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