

DEVASTATING STORM

Tornado Destroys Buildings. Kills Livestock, Injures Persons and Leave Wreckage and Ruin in the Path it Followed. Swanton Hard Hit.

The tornado which swept North-western Ohio last Sunday was the most disastrous of any storm that this section of the State has ever experienced. Sections of Henry and Fulton counties were in the path taken by the storm and many people in both counties suffered from the devastation which it wrought. A Tribune man went over the path followed by the storm in that section from the Kretz school house in Henry county to and along the county line road on Monday. The general direction seemed to be north east though the "twister" pursued a freakish and zigzag course. In this section investigated covering a strip about three-fourths of a mile in width about 35 buildings including houses and barns were wrecked by the storm. Wood areas as well as buildings showed the ravages of the merciless tornado; some trees were twisted off part way up the trunk others were uprooted in some instances entire strips of timber and orchards were swept from the foundation and were propped up by their own twisted trunks. Others were carried off their foundations while still others were almost completely wrecked. On the Panning farm the house was blown from the foundation and badly damaged; the barn was completely wrecked, the timbers and siding being scattered over the fields for many rods. The Fred Gaber barn and house suffered likewise. The John Wimmer barn was completely destroyed a Ford auto was blown across the road into a field and almost completely wrecked. On the Hills brand, Meyer and Gane farms the barns were wrecked; Mr. Gane was injured in attempting to rescue his stock. Among the many others who were hurt in this area are the Pops, Will Orndorf, Tilise and Biery farms. The scenes on these farms are indescribable and must be seen in order to realize the fury of the storm and the damage which it wrought in an incredibly short space of time. For a stretch of at least eight miles to the southwest of the section mentioned and in a strip approximately three-fourths of a mile in width there is not a building that entirely escaped the fury of the "twister" and from this section the storm swept on to east and north missing the town of Delta but wrecking and devastating buildings and timber lots on its way until it struck Swanton where its freakish fury seemed to be redoubled. Swanton, as an ex-soldier expressed it, looked on Monday morning like a French town that had just been shelled. Not a building on the north side of the New York Central Ry. tracks escaped some mark of violence. The opera house block on the corner is a mass of wreckage so far as the second story is concerned. The lively stable another old land mark in Swanton is a wreck. The roof was taken from the flour mill and elevator and smashed down on adjacent buildings while the large cement block and steel building of the A. D. McKee Mfg. Co. is completely wrecked. A large sycamore tree that for years has stood as a silent sentinel just south of the main tracks in the New York Central Ry. yards at Swanton, resisting the tempests that have swept over it through decade after decade was twisted by this monster of the air about the center of the trunk, the top carried away and the frayed and splintered stump left as a mute witness of the mighty power of the storm. Swanton homes are, many of them in ruins and their inhabitants practically homeless. The catastrophe comes especially hard upon those who were paying for their homes out of their earnings and by this event have had their homes taken from them and all that they had previously paid a dead loss. In many if not most instances no insurance against loss by cyclone or tornado. The storm swept on in a north-easterly direction striking Sylvania where it wrought havoc then on to Martin and Genoa and out over Lake Erie. The tornado that struck this section was one of three that starting in the southwest travelled different courses, one took a northerly course striking the northern suburbs of Chicago and sections of Wisconsin; the southern-most swept east through Alabama and Georgia while the storm that hit Northwest Ohio travelled a path of destruction through central Illinois and Indiana. In all, eight states suffered from

AGRICULTURAL TIPS FROM COUNTY AGENT

It is a very simple and inexpensive matter to treat oats for smut with a mixture of formaldehyde and water and the treatment is a sure preventive. If there is smut in your seed oats you are quite likely to have a loss of from two to eight bushels per acre unless you treat them. One pint of formaldehyde costing 60 cents will treat about sixty bushels of oats. The mixtures put under fancy names are costing \$1.50 to \$2.00 a pint are nothing but formaldehyde with a little coloring matter added. If you want an oat smut demonstration held in your neighborhood, station your township Farm Crops man or the County Agent. Chinch Bugs Chinch Bugs caused considerable damage last year and will probably be worse this year unless something is done to combat them. Remember every female that is killed now will mean 150 or 200 less bugs this summer. favorite place for the bugs to spend the winter is in the thick June grass along fence rows, ditch banks and on the south side of groves. If neighbors would cooperate in burning the grass and bugs in the places mentioned it would do much to diminish the damage. Seed Corn Have you investigated the germination of your seed corn for this year? Reports from different sections indicate that corn which was not thoroughly dried and protected is showing rather a low percentage of germination. A little time spent now in making an individual ear test will be worth more to you than if spent in almost any other way. Replanting is usually a useless waste of time and effort. A poor stand means a low yield. It also means time wasted in cultivating land not occupied by corn plants. The individual ear test enables you to eliminate the dead ears with weak germination as well. It is your best bet when it comes to getting a good stand and a high yield. Federal Farm Loan Many a man is struggling alone with a mortgage which necessitates an expensive renewal every few years. This could all be eliminated if the money was borrowed through the Federal Farm Loan Association from a Federal Land Bank. We should have a Federal Farm Loan Association in Fulton County as they have in Lucas and Williams. It takes ten farmers who wish to borrow \$20,000 to form a Loan Association. The loans are made over a long period of years. The rate of interest is 5% per cent and the loan is paid by semi-annual installments which pay both the interest and principal. If you desire further information consult the County Agent. R. A. Cave, County Agent

COURT HOUSE NEWS

Warrants Issued Brailey and Ackerman, Insurance on Fair Ground Buildings \$31.14 The Gotshall Mfg. Company Lumber for bridge 35.10 N. W. Telephone Co. rent and tolls Co. Board of Education 3.15 Emil Weber, postage Co. Board of Education 4.00 Building Notices Jacob Mandly, Jr. Sec. 35, German Township, wooden silo estimated cost \$345. W. A. VanArsdalen lot 45, J. Gambler addition, Fayette, furnace estimated cost \$200. Clarence Bratton Sec. 9 Swan Creek Township, Barn estimated cost \$400. Evelyn Smith, Swan Creek Township, reconstruction of barn, estimated cost \$200. John D. Switzer, Sec. 2, Dover Township, house estimated cost \$2500. John Meier, Sec. 17, York Township, milk house and granary, estimated cost \$400. Real Estate Transfers C. P. Grasier to Julius W. Zihlbel lot 106, Newcomers addition, Wauseon. Ellen Close to A. E. and Dora M. Kessler 80 acres Sec. 24, York Township. Ralph Brown to J. L. and Louisa Y. Talke, lot 37, Bassett's 1st, Wauseon. John Odell to Catelv and Biddle part lot 6, Whites addition, Delta. Henry White to Jacob Frey, 2 acres Sec. 12, German Township. John C. Fisher to Wm. Clantz 95 acres Sec. 12, Royalton Township. H. J. Bachman to H. A. and Mary Reynolds lot 250, Wauseon. Albert Heckman to Carey C. and W. Lee 60 acres Sec. 35, Chesterfield Township. Nelson P. Carmon, Adm. to Maria Blondel, parcel 104, Sec. 12, Delta. Peter Klopfenstein to Christian Rupp, 30 acres Sec. 25, German Township. Emma and Louella Gilbert to W. C. McQuillin, 43 acres, Sec. 3, Pike Township. Herbert Reed to E. J. Strong, parcel 71, Metamora. J. M. Mohr to E. J. Mohr et al 40 acres Sec. 17, Amboy Township. Samuel Mohr et al to John Verhoun, 40 acres Sec. 17, Amboy Township. Harvey Nofzinger to Harvey and Edward Burkholder, 84 acres, Sec. 5, Franklin Township. John and Grace Kiner to John and Anna Kinney, lot 7, and W 10 lot 6, Piche addition, Wauseon. Ida Reynolds to Rosella Struble, lot 196, E. 67 1/2 Wauseon. Sarah Springer to Milton Foster part lot 34, Newcomers Wauseon. John and Carrie Smith to Charles and Clara Fierly, 40 acres, Sec. 23, York Township. L. E. Richards to Clarence Ravle 30 acres, Sec. 5 Swan Creek Township. Florence Myers to John and Lydia Greiser, part lot 376, Barber and Merrill's addition, Wauseon. John and Lydia Greiser to Wm. Greiser, part lot 376, Barber and Merrill's addition, Wauseon. Marv Duell to Bertha Berkebile, lot 31 Ex. S 19, Newcomers addition Wauseon. Anna Kable et al to Edward Molen, 80 acres, Sec. 25, Chesterfield Township. Homer Livensnarver to Loren S. Maxwell, 80 acres Sec. 34, Chesterfield Township. Martha J. Murphy to Martha Glanz, lots 424 and 441, Wauseon. I. A. Snyder to Clarence Kunkle 54 acres, Sec. 7, 14 acres, Sec. 8, 40 acres, Sec. 18, Gorham Township. Clarence Kunkle to W. A. and Rosa VanArsdalen 40 acres, Sec. 18 Gorham Township. Levi Miley to D. A. Bowers, 17.8 acres, Sec. 5, Dover Township. Geo. W. Reith to John S. Reith, lot 62, O'Riley's addition, Pettisville. John S. Reith to John S. Miller lot 62, O'Riley's addition, Pettisville. Addison and Salinda Brvan to Ray and Nellie Onweller lots 29 and 30 John Gabres addition, Fayette. Elizabeth Biddle to Isaac J. Willson, 80 acres, Pike Township. Isaac Wilcox to Hollis A. McQuillin, 38 acres Sec. 31, Fulton Township. Henry A. Pelton to Emerson Dunshie, part lot 35, Whites addition, Delta. Melissa Noble to Karl S. and Margaret E. Schener 40 acres, Sec. 14 Amboy Township. E. H. Bunting to Karl S. and Margaret E. Schener, 43.08 acres, Sec. 15 Amboy Township. John and Edna Ponk to Elias Funk lot 41, W. 145, Wauseon. Henry and Carrie Welch to Victor Burz, parcel 27, Sec. 9, Lyons. Ada E. Worden to Edith Boger, part parcel 114, Sec. 9, Lyons. H. M. Dewey to O. N. Benfer, parcel 79, Sec. 11, Metamora. Probate Court George W. Griffin as Trustee vs Jacob Rehm, petition to sell real estate filed. Order for notice issued. Hearing May 3, 1920. Estate of Israel A. Saleberry, direct inheritance tax certified to auditor. Estate of Ernest F. Hanson, report of private sale of personal property filed and confirmed. Petition to sell stock at private sale filed and confirmed. Report of sale of stock filed and confirmed. Petition to distribute assets in kind filed and confirmed. Report of distribution of assets in kind filed and confirmed. Estate of Conrad Britsch, order to county auditor to appraise property issued. Estate of Peter Schue, direct inheritance tax certified to County auditor. Estate of Theo Roy Schorm, inventory and appraisement filed. Arrangements for distribution of personal property at private sale filed and confirmed. Report of sale of stock filed and confirmed. Report of distribution of assets in kind filed and confirmed. Will of William Reichard, application filed. Waiver of notice filed. Hearing April 12, 1920. Will of Godfried Ehrat, application filed. Notice to widow and next of kin issued. Hearing April 2, 1920. Adoption of Lawrence Harold Dickerson, petition for adoption filed and confirmed. Order of adoption issued to Jacob P.

ARMY BILL PASSES HOUSE

The Army Reorganization bill has passed the House by a vote of 246 to 92. It authorizes an army of not exceeding 299,000 men including 17,000. It calls for an annual expenditure of \$400,000,000. Representative Mondell, House Leader, stated that the appropriations for next year are less than half the amount asked by the War Department. The Department proposed an army of half a million men. Appropriations will be computed for only 150,000 men and 17,000 officers which will be the peace-time strength. Representatives Kahn, chairman of the Committee on Military Affairs stated that the high cost of the Army is due to the larger pay granted officers and men in the United States as compared with foreign countries. The bill is known as the Gracie Act. An important feature of the bill gives military rank to army nurses. It makes the air service and finance division separate branches of the Army. The bill also provides for a part of the infantry. National guard organization remains essentially unchanged. Only changes in details are made in the system outlined in the National Defense Act of 1916. The whole is the result of Republican effort to effect economy of expenditure compatible with adequate military protection. BOARD OF HEALTH WARNING The Fulton County District Board of Health has had its attention called to a practice of some persons in Fulton County which is very dangerous to the public health and Dr. Sken, Health Commissioner calls attention to the following section of the General Code of Ohio and issues the warning which follows: Whoever feeds to animals used for human food, the flesh of an animal which has become old, decrepit, infirm or sick, or which has died from cause, or offal or flesh that is putrid or unwholesome, shall be fined not less than fifty dollars nor more than two hundred dollars or imprisoned not more than thirty days, or both, for each subsequent offense shall be fined not less than fifty dollars nor more than two hundred dollars or imprisoned not more than six months or both. (R. S. Code 6928-1.) Several instances where the above statute has been violated have been found by the Board of Health during the last week in this instance the offender has been warned and has promised to cease the practice. This matter of feeding the flesh of animals is highly dangerous to the public health and every effort will be made to stamp it out. Warning is given that any further cases found will be prosecuted and an attempt made to secure the full penalty provided by law. Very truly yours, C. Sken, Commissioner of Health

NATIONAL AND STATE LEADERS

With Slides Will Show Results of World Survey in Connection With County Conference A county conference in the interest of the Interchurch World Movement will be held in Wauseon, Wednesday April 7. The morning and afternoon sessions will be held in the Princess Theatre where slides will be used to show the results of the world surveys. The evening session will be held in the M. E. Church. A team of six national and state leaders will be present whom you will want to hear. The officers elected at the meeting held at the Christian Church, Wauseon, last Thursday are: Chairman, Rev. C. F. Evans, Wauseon; Vice-Chairman, M. E. Nofziger, Swanton; Vice-Chairman, Mrs. John Gehring, Delta; Secretary, Mrs. A. S. Blake, Wauseon; Director Spiritual Resources Dept., Rev. S. R. Dunham, Wauseon; Director Life Service Dept., Rev. A. V. Wilson, Delta; Director Missionary Education, C. E. Wager, Wauseon; Director Stewardship Dept., Rev. A. T. Cox, Lyons; Director Publicity, L. D. Burgeon, Wauseon. The following constitute the officers comprise the executive committee: Mrs. E. A. Murbach, Archbold; C. M. Dalrymple, Wauseon; S. L. Rice, Metamora; Mrs. Robert Barnes, Lyons; Jacob Zeigler, Wauseon; Mrs. C. W. Gould, Wauseon; Miss Carrie Allen, Fayette; Howard McClarren, Delta and Mrs. W. M. Eldredge, Tedrow.

PRESIDENTIAL PRIMARIES

Tuesday, April 27th Electors of Ohio Will Have Opportunity to Express Choice of Presidential Candidates. Also Choose Delegates to National and State Conventions. Tuesday April 27th, just three weeks from next Tuesday the electors of Ohio will have the opportunity of expressing their choice of Presidential candidates and at the same time electing delegates and alternates to the National and State Conventions of the Democratic and Republican parties. Whether its a good thing or not, whether its an improvement over the old system of township and precinct caucuses and county conventions or not, are questions that are debatable, but such a debate is hardly appropos just now. It is the opportunity offered and given to your country the benefit of the man who can best serve us all as chief magistrate of the nation in these turbulent times by going to the polls and indicating your judgment on the ballot you vote. There will be four ballots in the hands of the electors on April 27th: two for Democratic voters and two for Republican voters. One ballot is for Presidential preference and one for delegates and alternates to the National and State Conventions of either party. On the Republican Presidential Preference ballot will appear the names of Warren G. Harding and Leonard Wood also a blank space in which the voter may write the name of a candidate in case no one of the names printed on the ballot represents his choice. Each voter will vote for but one candidate for President and this is done by placing an X in the blank space at the left of the name of the candidate for which you wish to vote. This rule applies to all ballots and should be born in mind by the voter. There will also appear on the Republican Presidential Preference Ballot the names of Wm. Grant Webster and Elwood Washington as candidates for Vice-President. The voter will mark but one of the names with the X at the left of the name; or, in event the voter's choice is some other than those whose names are printed on the ballot, the voter will write in the blank space below the printed names, the name of the candidate for whom he wishes to vote and place a cross at the left of this name. The Democratic Presidential Preference ballot will appear the

3-2-1 FRIDAY SATURDAY, MONDAY & TUESDAY

- 3 cans Soups 33c
3 cans Sardines 25c
3 cans Red Beans 37c
3 cans tall Milk any kind 41c
3 lbs. Prunes 56c
3 cans scouring Powder 15c
3 cakes white Soap 22c
3 cans Salmon pink 68c
2 cans Wall Paper Cleaner 25c
2 cans Spice 15c
2 cans medium Salmon 59c
2 cans fancy yellow Peaches 78c
2 cans Dutch Cleanser 17c
2 cans Lye 25c
2 cakes Fairy Soap 17c
1 can Monarch Milk 13c
1 box Matches 05c
1 can Instant Postum 40c
1 pkg. Jello 12c
1 pkg. Corn Flake 10c
1 lb. dressed Smoked Herring 29c
1 pkg. Macaroni 08c
1 pkg. Grapenut 16c
1 lb. Colby full cream Cheese 37c
1 lb. Prunes 19c
1 large Snow Boy 25c
1 pkg 5 lb. Corn Meal 28c
1 Climaline 09c
1 Broom 67c
1 Metrox Silver Cleaner (25c) 17c
1 Cereal Postum 21c
1 lb. Old Master Coffee 53c
1 lb. Lettuce 14c
1 lb. Corn Starch 09c
1 pr. Leather faced Gloves 42c
1 gal. Light Syrup 94c
1 lb. Soda Crackers 20c

TRY LILLY WHITE KEROSENE
Plenty of Brown Sugar and many more Bargains at the Cash & Carry Store

MORE AID FOR HIGHWAYS

Government aid to State Highway Departments is proposed in a bill introduced in the Senate by Senator Phipps, of Colorado, Republican. The bill is an amendment to an act approved July 11, 1916. It proposes that the Government pay fifty per cent of the cost of any project submitted by a State Highway Department and approved by the Secretary of Agriculture. The bill is designed to meet the need for better roads. It has been referred to the Committee on Post offices and Post Roads for consideration.

BAPTISTS INTER-CHURCH CAMPAIGN

Mr. Perry S. Johnson of Wauseon has been appointed to take charge of the Northern Baptist \$10,000,000 New World Movement for Fulton and Williams counties. His appointment was announced today at Columbus, by Millard Brelsford, campaign director for Ohio. Mr. Johnson will have charge of the work of raising the county's share of the \$7,000,000 quota fixed by the Northern Baptist Convention for Ohio. Under his direction teams will be appointed and the gifts gathering organization for the county perfected to get underway the word "go" on the 25th of April. The Northern Baptists as the day Chicago for the phenomenal campaign approaches are growing more and more confident that the \$10,000,000 which they have fixed as a goal will be secured. The demonstration has organized itself down to the smallest church and when the machinery for the ingathering is started the eight days allotted for the task will witness a systematized activity by the Northern Baptists in itself almost miraculous. The huge sum to be raised will be used in broadening the scope of the Americanizing and spiritualizing activities of the missions, home and foreign, hospitals, schools, churches, relief stations will be built throughout the nation and the Far East, Ministers Salaries and the salaries and expenses of Missionaries will likewise be increased.

the devastation of this triple tornado. The number of human lives lost may reach 200 or more, many hundreds were injured and the loss occasioned by livestock killed and property destroyed will count up into the millions. Wauseon was spared the destruction which visited some other places; the storm venting itself in a terrific hail storm and a down pour of rain that flooded the streets and some of the cellars. The Farm Bureau of Fulton County is organizing volunteer bands of workers to help clear up the debris on the devastated farms and the Fulton Chapter American Red Cross will doubtless respond to appeals to help the homeless people who are in need of immediate relief. The Boy Scouts of Wauseon have helped in Swanton and are ready to give aid in every way they can. The Lucas County Red Cross Chapter have given aid and relief in that county.

FEDERAL FARM LOANS

The Federal Farm Loan Act was passed in order to provide farmers with money at a reasonable rate of interest to be paid back in easy payments over a long period of time. Any farmer who is actually engaged in farming and owns farm land can borrow money from the Federal Land Bank. The rate of interest is 5 1/2 per cent and the loan is 3 1/2 years, though the entire loan is paid. The loan is settled by means of fixed semi-annual payments which are of sufficient size to pay the interest and a small part of the principal so that at the end of the 3 1/2 years the entire loan is paid. Any farmer may borrow an amount equal to fifty per cent of the appraised value of his land and in addition not to exceed 20 per cent of the insurable improvements on the land. In order to borrow money from the Federal Land Bank it is necessary to organize a National Farm Loan Association consisting of not less than ten farmers who desire to borrow an average of \$2000 or more apiece or a total of \$20,000. No individual farmer may borrow more than \$10,000. I would especially call the attention of men who have suffered severe damage from the recent storm to the Federal Farm Loan as affording a means of obtaining a loan which can be paid back with easy payments over a long period of time and which will not require frequent and expensive renewals. If you are interested in obtaining a loan from the Federal Land Bank call up and leave your name and address at the Farm Bureau office the County Agent will be glad to arrange a meeting to discuss the matter and take steps to organize a National Farm Loan Association in order to obtain loans. Becker and Minnie Becker and name of child changed to Lawrence Harold Becker. New Cases in Court Albert Nofzinger and Emma Nofzinger filed through Paxson and Canfield a petition for Quiet Title against John Dinkle et al. Mary E. Redman filed through F. B. Fowler a petition for divorce against Harry N. Redman. Louis Pfund vs J. H. Conrad, accounting and equitable relief March 24, 1920. Heard and submitted, finding for defendant on his cross petition in amount of \$148. Judgment for defendant against plaintiff. Each party to pay his own costs. Charity A. Barnes et al vs Wm. James et al, Quiet Title March 24, 1920. Heard and submitted, and approved by publication proved and approved Title quieted as prayed for. Plaintiff to pay costs.



Easter is Here

Have you purchased your Spring clothes, hat, shoes and furnishings? When you buy these, the most important item is your own Satisfaction! That is just what we are prepared to sell you SATISFACTION! When you pay your money, that's what you expect to get; and we make a business of seeing that you do get it. If we fail to deliver it; 100 per cent satisfaction; we don't want to keep your money.

HARRISON & FUNKHOUSER BROS. The Home of Hart Schaffner & Marx Clothes