

FLOOD SITUATION IN FRANCE IS FAST BECOMING DESPERATE

Rain Continues Unabated and the Rivers Rise to Heights Unrecorded Since Eighteenth Century.

PARIS THREATENED WITH TIE-UP OF TRANSPORTATION AND INDUSTRIES

Food is Becoming Scarce and Prices are Raised. Water Supply is also Threatened. Parisians Enjoying Spectacle.

Paris, January 25.—The situation resulting from the floods is fast becoming desperate. The Premier and minister of the interior have issued an assertion tonight that all indications would portend a further rise of the river Seine and the cold rain, which still continues, is causing intense suffering among those who have been made homeless, with little prospect of relief.

M. Millerand, minister of public works, after a tour of inspection, said that if the rise continued nothing could prevent a disaster of the kind which has been experienced in the most populous quarters in Paris, and the measures which had been taken appeared to him to be inadequate for the present, but only for the present.

Paris Threatened With Tie-up. Paris is threatened with an immediate and complete tie-up. The stoppage of transportation has raised the price of food, which is becoming scarce. The supply of water in seven arrondissements has been crippled, as the pumping engines have stopped working and the reservoirs are low. The authorities assert that drinking water is assuredly completely cut off in the Place Da Have and near Place La Madeleine burst, threatening the foundations of the house.

Part of Rue St. Lazare threatens to cave in and the whole street has been closed. The tunnels of the subway now under construction are flooded. The Orleans terminus is a vast pool, and the engineers fear that the tunnels may collapse.

The Pont de l'Alma and Pont de la Neve are threatened with collapse because of the floods. The suburbs of Paris are threatened with collapse because of the floods. The suburbs of Paris are threatened with collapse because of the floods.

High Water Mark Reached. High-water mark has been reached at the Pont Neuf with the exception of a flood of 1740. The roof of the custom house at the Pont Royale has been carried away by the waves and the quays are everywhere submerged.

In spite of the peril, Parisians are enjoying the spectacle as only Parisians can. The river is the scene of a curious sight. Here and there an angle may be seen tugging away at his lines and oblivious to the danger about him.

The water has invaded the cellars of the Chamber of Deputies and in spite of the fact that firemen have been engaged in pumping it out. The public has been warned by the Department of Health to boil drinking water, as the flood has penetrated the filtration reservoir.

Conditions in Suburbs. In the suburbs the conditions, though less spectacular than in the crowded districts, are far more serious. Nineteen persons have been cut off in their houses at Alfortville, and efforts to rescue them by boat have failed thus far. The force of the rushing current is such that it is feared that the houses may collapse before the occupants can be rescued. A motor boat was despatched to the aid of the persons in peril, but owing to a lack of room, was unable to make any progress. Hundreds of men and women have quit their homes at Alfortville. Two hundred families at Anceuil have left their houses and are camped in the public square and in the school-houses.

To Aid Flood Sufferers. The government has voted \$400,000 for the aid of the flood sufferers. At Billan Court, the Renault automobile works was flooded and thousands of workmen are idle. Fully half of the industrial establishments near the Seine are closed and a whole district, known as Les Peupliers, is inundated. People in the houses have a strange aspect, being submerged up to the windows, while the water reaches to the branches of little fruit or shade trees in the gardens. On coming in to St. Cloud the sight is painful. The beautiful avenue at the foot of the park is flooded and the trees stand amid a muddy yellow stream.

The progress of electric and other modern appliances has caused the suburban population to depend so much on public service of all kinds that the absence of trams causes real privations.

Famine Threatens. But the worst part of all is that famine is threatened in certain districts. It is reported already that in one place the bakers are without flour and that in another butchers are unable to obtain a supply of meat. The local authorities are busy everywhere devising remedies to meet these unexpected situations.

The prefect of police in Paris has visited some of the worst stricken districts. At Ivry and Charenton, where hundreds of poor families live in wooden shanties near the river, there are scenes of greatest distress.

Newspapers Affected. Part of the Lyons and the Mediterranean driveways is under water. At Choisy Le Roi, six miles from Paris on the Seine, two railway lines have been abandoned. An almost complete interruption of work is feared in the newspaper offices and paper factories. The latter are closing down and the newspapers fear they will be unable to get out their full editions.

HISTORIC PONT DE LAMA BLOWN UP WITH DYNAMITE TO SAVE PARIS FROM DESTRUCTION BY FLOODS.

Paris, Jan. 25.—Dynamite was resorted to today by the authorities to save Paris from destruction by the floods. The historic Pont De Lama, one of the most famous bridges spanning the Seine, was blown up to prevent the formation of a disastrous jam. At every other bridge engineers were on constant guard all night and day ready to take similar steps at the first sign of a crisis.

There is no relief from the flood conditions. To add to the suffering the rain was changed to heavy snow this morning and it is impossible for the engineers to watch conditions as closely as they had before. Many lives are reported lost in the collapse of the building in the outskirts.

It was only after a night of terror that the use of dynamite was decided upon. Sappers risking their lives, with the dare-devilry of campaigners, struggled furiously all night at the Pont De Lama to chop away the choked debris that gathered under the arches. So high was the water that the wreckage could not pass from under and stacked up in effective barricades of barrels, beams, timbers, parts of houses and the bottoms of the flood, against which the water pushed with almost unmeasurable force.

Dawn broke without any sign of relief in this city. The water was rising steadily and hours before noon almost overleaped the levels of the highest bridges and quays and it was snowing steadily.

PROPRIETOR OF "THE FASHION" ALLEGED TO HAVE ABSCONDED

H. Kushner, Who Conducted Jasper Avenue Ladies' Wear Establishment Has Disappeared, Leaving Liabilities Amounting to \$25,000—Sheriff is Now in Charge—Kushner Said He Was Going to New York to be Married.

Where is H. Kushner? His creditors want to know. They believe he has absconded and they have good reason. Under a writ of attachment issued by the sheriff, the store at 277 Jasper Avenue, East, known as "The Fashion" was closed up this afternoon by the sheriff. Kushner, the proprietor, left Edmonton on December 26 last for parts unknown. He dropped from sight as mysteriously and completely as did David Feinstein of the Crash! Bill! Bang! emporium. Feinstein's creditors may get forty cents on the dollar, Kushner's can scarcely expect twenty. His liabilities are placed in the neighborhood of \$25,000. The stock in trade of The Fashion estimated to be worth about \$5,000 represents the sole assets.

David Feinstein, the second, departed from Edmonton the day after Christmas, leaving no address. He is completely mystified by the disappearance of the Jasper Avenue merchant. He now believes him to have absconded, although at first he was convinced that he would turn up alright. He stated to the Bulletin yesterday that he had placed every confidence in him. He knew him to be doing a good business and thought that he must have cleared in the neighborhood of \$4,000 last year. Kushner had told him that his stock was entirely paid for, a statement which he since proven to have been false.

Kushner came to Edmonton about two years ago. He is a young man under thirty years of age, and has travelled in Germany. He came to Canada from South Africa.

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The station of the Paris-Orleans railway, in the Rue de St. Nicolas, is flooded and the water is on a level with the windows. The water has also invaded the offices of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs. The offices in the basement are flooded.

At two o'clock this morning the water was rushing through the tunnel under the Quai D'Orsay Station and burst through the roadway and flooded the streets, including the Rue de Lille, the Rue D'Orleans, and the Rue De Bellechasse, on which there are many aristocratic residences. The sidewalks are likely to cave in any time. Those who occupied the houses were hastily awakened and hurried to a place of safety.

DEPARTMENT DID NOT REFUSE PERMISSION

Chief Timber Ranger Margach Takes Strong Objection to Statements that the Great Waterways Has Been Shut by Order of the Interior Department.

W. T. Margach, chief forest ranger in Alberta, of the Dominion government, arrived in the city last night from a trip up the river to the lumber camps. Speaking to the Bulletin this morning, Mr. Margach took strong exception to the statements in the Journal yesterday, that the camps of the Great Waterways railway were tied up by order of the Interior department refusing the privilege to cut timber and bridge timber.

"The department of the interior has not refused permission," he positively asserted, "but instead has granted the same rights as have been previously granted to the Canadian Northern and the Grand Trunk Pacific."

Mr. Margach also remarked that a railway company wish to cut timber, and pine, some leaving the spruce untouched.

"The department," he said "would not grant permission to take part of the timber, and this is the only limit. Permission will only be granted to make a clear cut as they go similar to the other railway companies."

Refused Call to Higher Salary. Hamilton, January 23.—During the course of the service at Christ Church, Trinity Church, Chicago, he announced that he would stay in Hamilton. The salary at the Chicago church is \$7,000 per year, while the local church only carries a salary of \$3,500.

EARTHQUAKE OCCURS 2500 MILES DISTANT

Seismograph at St. Boniface College Records Disturbance Lasting Seven Minutes Saturday Morning—May Have Been in Mexico, But Reports Has Been Received From Affected District.

Winnipeg, Jan. 24.—At 3 o'clock on Saturday morning an earthquake shock was recorded by the seismograph recently erected at St. Boniface college. The shock lasted for fifteen minutes and the record was very distinct, showing that the tremor increased in intensity during the first five minutes, indicating that the shock was of a severe nature. According to the calculations made by Father Blain, who has charge of the observatory, the centre of the disturbance was about 2,500 miles away and in this locality it could not be detected except by a seismographic instrument. The tremor increased intensely during the first five minutes and then fell away gradually for three minutes before increasing to its greatest height, after which it slowly became less.

The seismograph by which the shock was recorded is a Wiebert instrument, made in Germany, and its installation was only completed a few days ago. It rests upon a solid concrete foundation six feet deep and enclosed in a brick wall, and is so delicately adjusted that it is affected by a person breathing upon a weight of two thousand pounds. This is the first earthquake which has ever been recorded by the instrument, and as there is no other in Canada west of Ottawa, it is the first to be scientifically observed in Western Canada. The shock was recorded at Cleveland, Ohio, by a similar instrument in the Catholic college in that city, but no news has been received from the scene of the disturbance, and it is not known where the earthquake occurred. Father Blain thinks it may have been in Mexico, but was not able to say with any certainty from what direction the shock came.

Mr. Menasse, a brother of Menasse proprietor of the Standard Theatre, was engaged by Kushner as temporary manager, with instructions dating from the time of his departure, and was merely to look after the daily sales. He deposited all the money accruing from this source in the bank, and almost ready cash went to meet the incoming drafts.

The feeling of uneasiness among those who knew Kushner grew his last week to a positive belief that Edmonton had seen the last of him.

A. H. Goldberg, local manager of Randall, Gee & Mitchell, who was well acquainted with Kushner, is completely mystified by the disappearance of the Jasper Avenue merchant. He now believes him to have absconded, although at first he was convinced that he would turn up alright. He stated to the Bulletin yesterday that he had placed every confidence in him. He knew him to be doing a good business and thought that he must have cleared in the neighborhood of \$4,000 last year. Kushner had told him that his stock was entirely paid for, a statement which he since proven to have been false.

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CHARGED WITH POISONING

Winnipeg, Jan. 21.—William Becket is under arrest here charged with attempting to murder his wife by poisoning her. The prisoner is now in the general hospital suffering from over indulgence in drugs. He is a druggist and is a victim of the cocaine habit. It is said that he is often seized with spells which render him for the time insane. His wife states he put poison in her coffee but she is not proven to have been poisoned. Kushner had told him that his stock was entirely paid for, a statement which he since proven to have been false.

Refuses Appropriation to Monument. Toronto, Jan. 24.—A deputation waited on Sir James Whitney requesting the government to appropriate towards the erection of a monument on Stony Creek battlefield in memory of the men who fell in that engagement.

Sir James expressed disfavor with the idea because a monument is now being erected by the Dominion government and public subscription.

MEDICAL SCIENCE HAS ACHIEVED NEW TRIUMPH

Vaccine Method Used With Marvellous Success in the Treatment of Pneumonia—The Treatment Has Been Introduced by Graduates of Tufts Medical School at Lowell, Mass.

Lowell, Mass., Jan. 23.—Modern medical science has triumphed in this city in the past few weeks, what is hailed as a triumph. Mrs. Edward F. Conahine, wife of the proprietor of the Richardson hotel, and Frank W. Hurd, treasurer of one of the city's largest banks, were stricken with pneumonia. Each was believed to be dying and a revival had practically been given up. Then the laboratory of Tufts Medical school took up the cases. Today Mrs. Conahine is on the road to recovery and Hurd has fully recovered.

Both credit their present condition to the newest thing in the treatment of pneumonia—the vaccine method, introduced by a few young physicians, graduates of the Tufts Medical School, who have been working some months on the vaccine method.

Another interesting case is that of a man taken to a hospital recently at the point of death from pneumonia. Both lungs were affected and physicians had no hopes for his recovery. As a last resort the vaccine method was tried, and today the patient is greatly improved. His doctors believe he will recover. The new experiments have succeeded and the vaccine will become in general use it is expected.

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SPORTING NEWS

SHAMROCK'S DRAMATIC VICTORY

Montreal, Jan. 25.—It took thirty seconds overtime to decide tonight's game in favor of the Shamrocks in their game in the national hockey association series with Halibonny. At the close of the game the score stood two all and a further period was decided upon, with the understanding that the first goal scored would end the game. Both teams lined up for the sudden death finish, which came with lightning rapidity. The Shamrocks rushing the puck to the Halibonny end and scoring immediately. The goal was almost dramatic. The crowd had settled back for a recurrence of the first four, when the puck was passed down from a scrimmage and a simple pass and a well judged shot from Donald Smith landed the ribbon in the net, ending the game before the crowd thought the overtime was well started.

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LACOMBE TRIMS WELLSKIRVING

Lacombe, Jan. 25.—Lacombe defeated the Wells-Kirving hockey team last night by a score of 13-6 in a very one-sided game.

The game was clean throughout, but lacked vim. Beattie being the only player penalized and that for a minor offense. The lineup was: Wells-Kirving—Goal: Sutherland; minor, Doyle; edger, McLeod; rover, McDonald; centre, French; right, Gould; left, Clark.

Lacombe—Goal, Munro; point, Stewart; rover, Ross; rover, Cook; centre, Hay; right, Beattie; left, Gardiner. Referee—Len Beattie.

BERLIN BEATS WATERLOO 7 TO 3

Berlin, January 25.—The local hockey professionals defeated the Waterloo team by a score of 7 to 3. By arrangement of the schedule tonight the game counts as the initial game of the league. Half time score was 4 to 0.

JOE HALL SUSPENDED

Montreal, Jan. 25.—Joe Hall, the Brandon player, now with the Shamrocks, was suspended by the National Hockey association today. His suspension is dated to Saturday next when the league will hold another meeting to decide on his case. Hall, in the Shamrock-Berlin game last Saturday after a run-in with Frank Patrick, of Renfrew, struck the judge of play, Bob Kennedy. The referee in the report stated that Hall's attack on Kennedy, in his opinion, was intentional, and recommended him to be suspended. However, the league decided that it would make a stand for clean hockey, and Hall was suspended. As a result he was not able to play with the Shamrocks against Halibonny tonight and will not be able to play against Renfrew when Renfrew plays on Friday. The league will hold a session on the 11th game between Shamrocks and Renfrew.

SHAMROCKS THE BENEVOLENT

Montreal, Jan. 23.—The Shamrocks National League team won the Asson on Saturday night in a game in which Joe Hall was the central figure. As the primary cause of the dispute which Effieville had between the dispute which led to the match ending in a tie. Hall and the Patrick Brothers had been at each

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