

# HUNDREDS OF FLOODED AREAS INCREASED BY RISING WATERS WHICH THWARTED RESCUE WORK

## Rain Continues to Descend and Confirmation of Death Lists Cannot Be Obtained Because All Wires Are Down and Railway Communication is Cut Off.

COLUMBUS, O., March 26.—(Can. Press.)—Ohio is experiencing the worst flood in its history. Many estimates of the damage to property is the greatest since Galveston, Texas, was literally swept off the map. Gathering darkness tonight brought no relief to the scores of cities and towns of the state that are inundated and cut off from the outside world, but, instead, cast a gloom over the rushing waters, practically thwarted rescue work, and increased the horrors of the situation. Thousands of persons are imprisoned by the swollen waters. Although the waters in some places are reported to be slowly receding, there was no immediate relief in sight tonight, while rain continued to descend.

### Rumors Confirmed.

So appalling and seemingly exaggerated were many of the reports from flooded cities and towns today, that they were disputed, and in many instances wholly disregarded. Later reports from these same sections, many times confirmed what seemed to be wild rumors. In other cases reports proved not to be true, but the various news agencies of the state are working under great difficulties in securing reports, because of crippled wires and flooded roads, and towns are completely isolated and only rumors can be obtained. These rumors are verified until the waters recede sufficiently to permit a restoration of wire and transportation service.

### Distress and Disaster.

Although reports of distress and disaster are coming in from every section of the state, the greatest damage and loss of life is being reported at Dayton. The conditions there are beyond description. While the business portion of the city is practically under water and the estimated loss of life is appalling, fires are adding to the horror by increasing the death toll. The lights from burning buildings are adding horrors to the stricken city tonight. Loss of life is estimated at from hundreds to thousands.

Handicapped efforts at rescue work today failed to clarify the puzzling situation regarding loss of life from the flood in Columbus. Few many are considered conservative place the loss at from 100 to 150.

### Details Unavailable.

At Delaware, 25 miles north of Columbus, the inhabitants are all flooded bound and details are unavailable. The known dead already number thirty-three, according to a correspondent who is on the scene. From Sidney comes the report that from 100 to 500 have been drowned. Governor Cox said that he had information that there was no loss of life at Sidney. Piffin reported at least fifty lives lost.

Stratford, a town near Delaware, according to the report, is literally swept from the map and 100 are drowned.

### Vernon Hard Hit.

According to a wireless report received at the Ohio State University here this afternoon from Mount Vernon, the town of 500 has been flooded and probably 100 have lost their lives. This report could not be verified tonight.

Meagre reports from Hamilton, on the Miami Valley, are that the situation is serious, and that a half-dozen or more lives were lost. Confirmation is lacking.

### Serious Situation.

Reports from the northern part of the state indicate that the situation there is serious, and may result in a heavy death-toll. Zanesville, on the swollen Muskingum River, according to reports tonight, was largely under water, and several buildings are reported to have collapsed. Wire communication was cut off early tonight, when the Western Union Telegraph office was flooded. The operator's last words were that a building near the telegraph office had fallen, and that he would have to get out.

The Muskingum River empties into the Ohio River at Marietta, and the local United States weather bureau today sent out flood warnings to all points below Zanesville to prepare for a flood. All points below Zanesville extending east to the Ohio River were cut off from the outside world tonight, and it is reported that they were partially or entirely submerged.

### SEVENTEEN DEAD.

LIBERTY, Ind., March 26.—(Can. Press.)—A local newspaper is in communication with Brookville by telephone for a few minutes tonight, and learned that at least seventeen were killed there in the flood on Monday night, and half of the town was swept away. No further particulars were obtainable.

### KINGSTON MAN MAY BE VICTIM.

KINGSTON, March 26.—(Special.)—Frederick Shumway, 44, who is employed with the National Cash Register Company, Dayton, Ohio, his parents have received no word from him.

### TORONTO MEN ARRESTED.

—Antonio and Albert Gostaldi, describing themselves to the police as tailors from Toronto, were arrested by a combination of city and St. Boniface police officers yesterday afternoon on a charge of securing from Milan Annoni, 533 Tache street, St. Boniface, \$400 under false pretenses.

# Appointment of Commission To Probe Cost of Living Voted Down by Legislature

## Government Disapproved Motion of Opposition Because the Question Comes Within Scope of the Dominion House—Discussion on Kenora Water Powers.

No commission will be appointed by the Ontario government to investigate into the high cost of living. This decision came at six o'clock last night when a motion submitted by the opposition was snuffed under by a vote of 25 to 15. The government's opinion is that the question comes within the scope of the Dominion and it will leave the Dominion government to attend to it.

By a strange coincidence, a deputation from the Associated Boards of Trade of the province asked the government at noon to appoint a commission similar to the one asked for by the Liberals. The government, however, did not sit on the deputation in the same manner as it did upon the motion of the Liberals, which was submitted by James McQueen, North Wentworth.

### The Defeated Motion.

The motion was as follows: "That in view of the rapid and unprecedented increase during recent years in the cost of living and the difficulty which many of our citizens of this province consequently experience in providing themselves with the necessities of life, it is the duty of the government to appoint a thorough commission to investigate the causes of such increase in the cost of living and to report thereon, whether any, and if so, what measures can be taken by the government toward remedying and improving conditions in this regard."

In supporting the motion Dr. James McQueen gave an extensive speech on the cost of living and the effect of the rise in prices, he said, was world-wide in its nature and was being experienced in all advanced countries in the world today were discussing it. After quoting prices to show that household supplies could be bought cheaper in London than in Toronto, Dr. McQueen came to the question of whether the farmers in Ontario were getting more than their fair share or whether the combines were responsible. Some statistics from the annual report of the Canadian Farmers Association were cited. The profit of \$502,000 in 1912, an increase of \$146,385 over 1911, was mentioned, and the dividend, 15 per cent, on preferred and 6 per cent on common stock. A law similar to the Sherman anti-trust act, said the speaker, was needed in Ontario.

### Need Parrels Post.

The want of the cattle and sheep breeding industries was then touched upon. A few years ago there were 1,000,000 cattle in the ranges in the Northwest, now there were only 600,000. With this record the cattle industry in Ontario was compared, and it was pointed out that the South American republic had 30,000,000 cattle.

Two of Dr. McQueen's sentences were: "They have a parcels post to run in Russia; we need one in Canada." "By improvements in our method of taxation we would be able to reduce our rents. We want reductions in the price of the things we are getting them."

### Not Responsible.

Hon. W. H. Hearst, who replied to Dr. McQueen, did not make any attempt to refute any of the first speaker's arguments in support of the commission. Prices, he said, had advanced in all countries, so that Ontario government could not be blamed for the advance in Canada. "So long as we continue to import our necessities from the rest of the world, we are bound to pay the price of the things we have to pay to the rest of the world," he said. "Whether or not the farmer is getting his share," said Mr. Stuhlholme, "I know the farmer is not getting his share, and the wages have not kept up with the increase in prices." The opposition's motion calling for the appointment of a commission by Ontario was then defeated by a vote of 25 to 15. Mr. Stuhlholme voting against the government.

### Lost Power Rights.

Earlier in the day the province's loss of the water power rights on the east bank of the Winnipeg River was altered in the house by N. W. Rowell and Hon. W. H. Hearst. When asking for a return of all correspondence in connection with the litigation, Mr. Rowell gave a short history of the case, in which he pointed out that all the Hudson Bay Company owned the land and both banks of the river, the provincial authorities were firm in their belief that this did not mean that the company had control of the water power.

Then Kenora applied to the government in 1908 for a lease of the river bed for power purposes. Before the lease was granted the Conservatives had come into power, and in drawing up the lease they inserted a clause stipulating that if any dispute arose over the ownership of the power facilities Kenora would have to defend it at their own expense. A dispute did occur, and Mr. Rowell was engaged by Kenora as counsel to defend the lease. In the first instance the prosecuting companies lost, but the crown, represented by Hon. W. H. Hearst, took no part in the defence. Then an appeal was made, and when the English law was brought in the town lost its right and the lease it had received from the province was worthless. Kenora then had to bargain with the companies at an extra cost of 100,000. Mr. Rowell claimed that the crown's action in refraining from entering a defence at either suit was small.

# BRITISH HOUSE OF COMMONS SCENE OF GREAT EXCITEMENT OPPOSITION PLANS FAILED

## Elaborate Secret Arrangements Made to Force a Snap Division, But Ministerial Members Talked Until Government Whips Got Their Men Into House—All Business for the Evening Was Obstructed and Insulting Epithets Were Exchanged—Lloyd George Before Marconi Committee

(Special Cable to The World.) LONDON, March 26.—(Copyright.)—A series of exciting scenes occurred in the house of commons this afternoon. The opposition had laid elaborate secret plans to take a snap division at 4 o'clock on the consolidated fund bill in the hope of defeating the government by surprise. They chose the occasion because at this stage the consolidated funds bill is always treated as purely formal and they presumed that the government would not have its supporters on hand. However, suspicion was excited on the government benches by the sudden crowding of opposition members from the nearby hiding places, and so when division was called, a ministerialist jumped up and proceeded to discuss the bill in order to give the government whole time to get their men to the house. He was followed by others, despite the persistent interruptions by the opposition. At the end of thirty minutes, the government allowed a division to be taken and got a majority of 39.

### BUSINESS OBSTRUCTED.

Exasperated by the jeers and taunts of the ministerialists at the failure of the plan, the opposition became noisy and determined to obstruct all business for the evening. One Ulster Orangeman, named Moore, charged the government with "diabolical trickery," in fanning the opposition plot to snatch a division. On his refusal to withdraw those words, he was suspended by a vote of the house. His colleagues had arranged to follow his example, but their courage failed, so they vented their rage in yelling insulting epithets at the government. There were cries of "Marconi," "scoundrels," "hirelings," and similar expressions which have been recently so frequent that they cease to excite surprise or even resentment.

### WOULD HAVE WON OUT.

To intensify their chagrin, the Tories learned that if they had succeeded in getting a division at 4 o'clock, they would have beaten the government by five votes. This would not necessarily have been fatal to the cabinet, but it would have placed the ministers in a perilous position, especially in view of the shaking the Marconi affair has given them.

In reply to Major Archer Shea today, Prime Minister Asquith stated that Attorney-General Isaacs informed him last July of his deal in America Marconi Co. stock, and also that some of these shares had been transferred to Chancellor of Exchequer Lloyd George and the Master of Elibank.

### ATTACHED NO IMPORTANCE.

Being asked why he did not inform the house when Isaacs denied having an interest in any Marconi shares, Mr. Asquith declared that the fact that he attached no importance to the scandalous charges in circulation. Thus the opposition has established that the prime minister knew when Isaacs uttered his sweeping denial on Oct. 11, that he was not making a complete disclosure.

Lloyd George will be examined before the Marconi Committee tomorrow. It will be the severest ordeal of his career. There is a strong opinion that however innocent the action, it was unbecoming in the chancellor of the exchequer to speculate in any shares.

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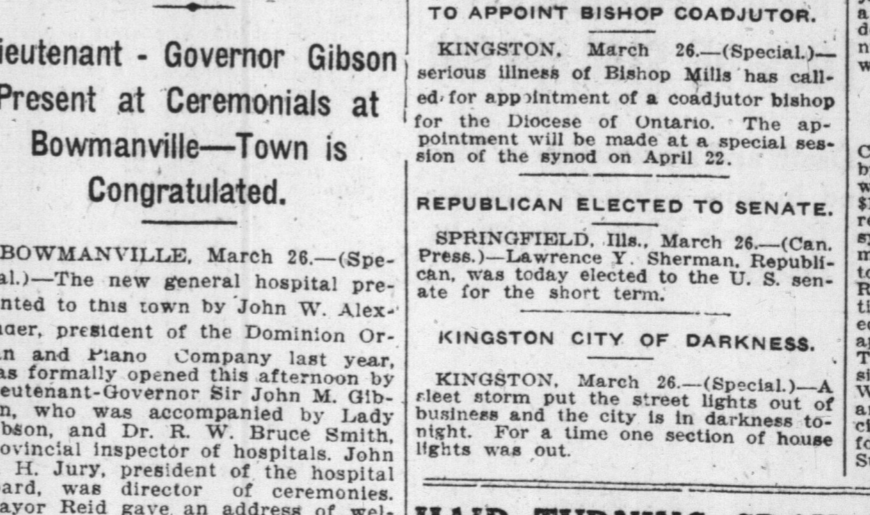
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### THREE COUNTIES MAY SIGN CONTRACTS FOR HYDRO POWER

Representatives of York, Peel and Simcoe Asked Hon. Adam Beck for an Amendment to the Power Act so that Counties Would Be Enabled to Purchase "Juice."

The joint deputation from the Counties of York, Peel and Simcoe met the Hon. Adam Beck yesterday, as arranged. They suggested that Clause (b) in Section 2 of "An Act to Provide for the Local Distribution of Power," be amended to include the word "county." At present the clause is as follows: "Corporation" shall mean the corporation of a city, town, township or village municipality.

The change would enable the county council to make power contracts with the commission, independently of cities, towns and townships, so that farming communities may have more influence in securing power service in their districts.

Hon. Mr. Beck promised to take the matter up with the government at an early date.

### NORTH TORONTO.

Yonge street is dotted with danger signals about the annex. The heavy rains have searched out the soft spots in the sewer fill, and there are quite a number of small sinkholes, which make last traveling dangerous.

Such of the troubles is due to the street being raised on the side only, on account of the radial tracks, and swift action is required to prevent a number of the city being water-logged.

### WARD SEVEN.

West Toronto streets are going from bad to worse. It is a common sight to see a vehicle stuck fast in the mud on the outlying streets, and last night the Keele street police were notified of two horses which were stuck so deeply in the quagmire on St. Clair avenue, near Nickerson street, that they could not extricate themselves. Naturally police assistance was useless in this case and a block and tackle was required to pull the horses from one of West Toronto's principal streets.

### CREDIT SALE OF REGISTERED HOLSTEIN CATTLE.

Also High-Grade Holsteins, Horses, Farm Implements, etc., Early Ohio O. Mather, lot 16, concession E. E. Lambton, one and a half miles southwest of Weston, on Thursday, March 27, 1913, at one o'clock, J. K. McEwen, auctioneer. Sale will take place at above property. 1284

### HIGHLY IMPORTANT CREDIT SALE.

William Doherty, lot 31, concession 2, Scarborough, has given instructions to the undersigned to receive a public auction on the above premises, on Saturday, March 29, his entire stock of horses, registered Holsteins, and other cattle, implements, pigs, household furniture, etc. Rigs will meet at the corner of G.T.R. from the north and south on the morning of the sale. Lunch will commence at 1 o'clock. Lumber will be provided. There will be no reserve, and the apartment house has been leased to J. H. Prentice, auctioneer; H. Thomson, clerk. 45

### RUNNYMEDE TRAVEL CLUB.

The regular meeting of the Runnymede Travel Club was held at the residence of Mrs. A. J. Doherty, 170 West street, on Tuesday, March 25, the president, Mrs. Jones, in the chair. Mrs. Doherty gave a fine descriptive paper on the trip from "Berlin to Hamburg," touching the various important places en route. Mr. Doherty, secretary, gave a most interesting paper on "Germany," and told of the various treatments given and the curious properties of the different springs. A vocal solo by Miss Mary Watson, as a soloist, was most acceptably rendered, and enthusiastically received. With Mrs. Jennings' contribution on "Germany," the meeting was an afternoon of much enjoyment was brought to an end. The season's program closes with the meeting of Saturday, April 5, at 8 o'clock. The study of Germany has been a most enjoyable one, and all can look back upon a winter's work of much instructive and delightful interest. On April 8 the annual meeting, with election of officers, will take place.

### AURORA.

The Easter vestry meeting of Trinity Church Monday night, March 25, was presided over by Rev. G. S. Despard. The church wardens' report showed receipts of \$105.06, and disbursements of \$100.00, leaving a balance of \$5.06. The receipts of the preceding year. All the synd dues, amounting to \$250.19, were met, and a balance of \$141.75 was voted to the divinity students' fund, \$10 to Rev. Whitaker, missionary in the Arctic, and the remainder undesignated to the M.S.C.C. J. B. Soyer was appointed rector's warden and W. H. Taylor, elected people's warden. The sidesmen for the year are: Messrs. Jack Willis, Morris Baldwin, Collett, Dunham and S. C. Taylor. A resolution, drafted by the services of Alex. Brodie, for three years superintendent of the Sunday school, was passed, expressing

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