

## 5-HOUR DOWNPOUR FLOODS MANY HOMES AND M. E. HOSPITAL

Patients Moved to Safety as Water Backs  
Up From Sewers Leading to Swollen  
Streams — Car Lines Suffer.

Five hours of heavy rain brought flood conditions in many parts of Indianapolis today.

White river, Fall creek, Big Eagle creek and other streams are rising rapidly, and lowlands have been flooded.

Sections of the city resembled miniature lakes.

Sewers in some sections were unable to carry the water, and water backed into many cellars.

Water backed up from the sewers into the basement of the Methodist hospital, North Capitol avenue and Sixteenth street, and it was necessary to move patients to upper floors.

This is the first time in five years that the basement has been flooded, according to hospital officials.

All patients in the basement were moved with ease, it was said. Patients took the matter calmly.

Water began backing into the basement at 3 o'clock this morning and could not be stopped.

The basement is really a first floor, according to hospital officials, there being exceptionally good light and ventilation.

The city experienced a near cloud burst just after 3 a. m.

**HEAVIEST DOWNPOUR  
IN LAST FIVE YEARS.**

In thirty-seven minutes 2.3 inches of rain fell, according to the weather bureau reports.

The only other time we have ever had such a rainfall, since we began recording the rainfall by minutes, was in 1918, when 2.18 inches of rain fell in forty minutes," said J. H. Armstrong, weather observer.

The White river gauge at Tenth street early today showed the river had risen 1.6 feet since yesterday, when it was 13.4 feet.

The rainfall in the upper part of the White river watershed in the last twenty-four hours is 1 to 1 1/2 inches, the weather bureau reports, but in Indianapolis the rainfall was much heavier.

There has been 3.21 inches rainfall here in the last twenty-four hours.

**RIVER TO REACH  
15-FOOT STAGE.**

"The flood stage in White river here is set at eighteen feet," said Mr. Armstrong.

Last year we had a stage of 17.5 feet and there was little damage. It is probable that the river will rise to seventeen or eighteen feet late today and begin receding sometime during the night.

Because of the flood of 1915 the stage was 20.5 feet.

"The little creeks will overflow and recede rapidly and White river will overflow in low places, but no serious damage is expected in the city."

Street car service in several sections of the city was seriously crippled by flood conditions.

The Brightwood line was put out of commission when the water washed over the tracks at Valley avenue.

It was not until 6:30 o'clock that street cars were able to reach the extreme northeast part of the city.

Hundreds of Brightwood men, who are employed in the Big Four shops in Belmont, were unable to reach Union depot in time to catch the special trains that take them to their work.

**INTERURBAN HELPS  
BROOKSIDE CROWDS.**

The Brookside car line also was tied up for a period, but an interurban car plowed through the mud, bringing many people downtown.

James P. Tretton, superintendent of the Indianapolis Street Railway Company, said that many motors were being wrecked by the storm.

Riverside cars could not get through after reaching Indiana avenue and Monticello street because the tracks were inundated.

When Indianapolis cars had to wait for water to pass away under the Kentucky avenue elevation before they could get through.

The bridge over Pogue's Run at Jefferson avenue was put out of commission when water washed planking out of its center.

Homes in "Happy Hollow," a district in the lowlands of Big Eagle creek, near Kentucky avenue, were drenched, and a half dozen houses were surrounded by water on Belmont avenue, south of Minnesota street, residents being forced out.

At Troy avenue and Harding street the back water of White river broke over the river bank and rushed in a torrent across a concrete roadway.

Lowlands in the neighborhood of Riverside park resembled a lake.

Ray street, back water of White river had made a big lake and hundreds of wild ducks were reported to be swimming about.

At Pike and Ralston avenue the water was two feet deep in the street.

At Hillside avenue and Twenty-fifth street the water reached the level with the floor of the front porches of many houses.

Big Eagle creek was falling until 4 o'clock this morning, when it began to rise, and within an hour was seven inches above its low mark of the morning.

A further considerable rise would flood large districts in the southwest part of the city.

**POLICE RUSHED  
WITH FLOOD REPORTS.**

Reports of flooded cellars and dangerous conditions of flooded streets were received in rapid succession at police headquarters after midnight.

Because of the seriousness of the situation, policemen were stationed on the streets along the streams to watch conditions.

Lieut. Fletcher was in charge of a large squad along the banks of White river, Big Eagle creek and Little Eagle creek.

Elevator service in several hotels and office buildings in the business section was crippled by a flood in substations of the Indianapolis Light and Heat company.

At Substation No. 4 on South Illinois street, service was cut off completely for several hours.

A. O. Meloy, street commissioner, said he put his entire street repair department working on sewers, which proved largely inadequate to carry off the water.

An inspection of floodgates was made and Meloy said they were in good shape. Complaints of overflows and stopped.

**No Need to Pump,  
Water'd Run Back**

"My basement's flooded—please send the fire department to pump it out."

More than 500 such appeals were received by the fire department operator in city hall, between midnight and 1 a. m.

The reply in each case was that if the fire department pumped the water out of the cellars it would run right back into the choked sewers and back into the cellars.

## CENSUS TO PUT CITY IN 300,000 CLASS, BELIEF

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Figures May Go as High  
as 335,000.

**MERCHANTS GIVE VIEWS**

Indianapolis will step right up in the 300,000 class when the census figures are revealed, in the opinion of business men, who are in position to judge the city's growth.

How far beyond 300,000 is a question. In 1910 the city's official population was given as 233,650.

If the census report, which soon will be forthcoming, shows the population to be over 310,000, Indianapolis will rank high in the percentage of growth, as compared to other cities of comparative size.

"Indianapolis has made splendid strides and I wouldn't be surprised if we'd show a population of about 302,000," said Harvey Coonse of the Coonse & Taylor Ice Company.

Mr. Coonse has grown up with the city.

**WILL BE 335,000.**

Robert I. Todd, president of the Indianapolis Street Railway Company, thinks the census will show about 335,000 persons here.

"It's just a wild guess," he commented. Orin Jessup of the Orin Jessup Land Company says he looks for the census to make Indianapolis a city of 375,000.

Samuel O. Dungan, president and general manager of the Polk Sanitary Milk Company, expects the census report to show a population of 310,000.

"I've been predicting 310,000 to my friends," he said.

Mr. Dungan based his estimate on information used in his business, which covers the entire city.

The census figure will just about creep over the 300,000 mark, in the opinion of Frank C. Jordan, secretary of the Indianapolis Water Company.

**WOULD BE SATISFIED  
WITH ONLY 300,000.**

"I've been bearing in mind a probable report of 301,000 to 300,000," he said. "I'll be satisfied if the census report shows our population to be above 300,000."

"I know that if we had places for people to live, we would show a tremendous growth."

"The other day I made a drive over the city with city officials, looking after extensions of water mains."

"After we covered the 'north side,' where a number of homes that cost \$10,000 to \$20,000 are being built, we saw little buildings. There are very few houses being built for workmen."

A contractor the other day told me that he couldn't build any more homes if he had the money."

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## We Have With Us Today

THE TIMES has prepared a questionnaire consisting of ten questions, which it submits each day to some well-known person in Indianapolis.

Introducing  
Charles W. Jewett,  
Mayor of Indianapolis.

Q. What is your name in full?  
A. Charles Webster Jewett.

Q. Have you ever had a nickname?  
A. No.

Q. What was your favorite sport when you were a boy?  
A. Shinty.

Q. What athletics did you engage in or excel in when you were in school?  
A. Football, baseball and boxing.

Q. How did you happen to meet your wife, and where did you meet her?  
A. At DePue university. We were classmates.

Q. What is your hobby today?  
A. Newsboys.

Q. What was your ambition when you were a boy?  
A. To be a lawyer.

Q. If you had your life to live over, what profession would you choose?  
A. Law.

Q. What would you do with a million dollars if you had it to give away?  
A. Provide a high school and college education for every deserving newsboy I could find.

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