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HUNT BANDIT KILLERS OF BANKER

OHIO, CONNECTICUT DANGER SPOTS AS RIVERS SWEEP ON; FEAR DEATHS MAY REACH 175

Property Damage Reported
to Be in Excess of
\$200,000,000.

200,000 ARE HOMELESS

Third of Hartford Under
Water; Take Steps to
Prevent Typhoid.

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A total flood death toll upward of 175 was indicated today as the area of devastation in 14 Eastern states was increased by surging waters that swept down the Connecticut and Ohio Rivers.

Shortly after noon the United Press had tabulated 164 deaths. Fate of scores on a flooded island at Wheeling, W. Va., and others in central Pennsylvania still was unknown.

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The Red Cross in Washington had received requests to care for 275,000 persons, indicating at least that many were homeless, in addition to those cared for by other agencies.

Property damage was feared to be in excess of \$200,000,000.

Battle Against Disease

With worst flood zones under virtual military rule, authorities strove heroically to prevent outbreaks of disease. Pittsburgh ordered destruction of 250 carloads of tainted food. Thousands in the Ohio Valley were inoculated against typhoid.

The rich city of Hartford, Conn., and its suburbs were a third under the muddy waters of the Connecticut River. Thousands were driven from their homes there. Many others were cut off and screamed from their flooded houses for food. Water was five feet deep in parts of the business section. Telephone and power services were crippled.

Much of the Connecticut Valley from Vermont, through western Massachusetts and Connecticut to the sea was under water. Springfield, Mass., was inundated in part. Twenty thousand homeless huddled in makeshift barracks. Power failed.

River at All-Time High

The Merrimack River at Haverhill, Mass., was at an all-time high. Water was five to seven feet deep in part of the city. Bridges were torn out and factories flooded in Maine.

The Ohio River flood, receding in Wheeling, W. Va., where 22 were known dead and scores missing, swept down on Marietta, O.; Parkersburg, W. Va., and other towns. The water swirled five feet deep in the business section of Marietta.

The raging Susquehanna began to recede in Central Pennsylvania, leaving a trail of death and wreckage in scores of cities and towns.

The crest of the Potomac River flood passed Washington without causing serious damage, but President Roosevelt postponed his Florida vacation another 24 hours in order to correlate relief measures.

Canada Also Stricken

Canada came into the flood picture with reports of at least \$1,000,000 property damage in Quebec province due to floods on the St. Lawrence, Ottawa and lesser rivers. Traffic was paralyzed in many sections. Heavy rains inundated a 15-mile area in southern New Brunswick.

Pittsburgh, a city of 1,000,000, was left high and dry again by the receding Allegheny and Monongahela Rivers, but its famous "Golden Triangle" business and industrial district, was inches deep in sludge and filth.

The situation by sections:

OHIO RIVER VALLEY

The Marietta (O.) business district was under nine to 12 feet of water; hundreds had fled to the hills. Surrounding Ohio and West Virginia communities under water; farther up the valley, at Wheeling, W. Va., and its surrounding industrial district, the river was returning to its banks, but farther down the valley, Huntington, W. Va., Cincinnati and other communities were still under water. (Turn to Page Three)

PETTINGILL HAUL BILL
IS DUE BEFORE HOUSE

Measure Would Affect Interstate Commerce Act.

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WASHINGTON, March 20.—The Pettingill long-and-short haul bill, the most important transportation legislation of the session, was scheduled to come before the House today. The bill seeks to abolish the long-and-short haul provisions of the Interstate Commerce Act. Carriers would be permitted to charge less for a long haul than the total of intermediate short hauls.

Death List

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PENNSYLVANIA

Johnstown, 21; Allegheny County, 43; Pittsburgh and environs, 45; Lock Haven, 10; Petersburg, 2; Morrisville, 1; State College, 1; Wilkes-Barre, 5; Altoona, 5; Waynesboro, 1; Tyrone, 1; Harrisburg, 1; Herndon, 1; Williamsport, 1; Flains, 1; Kingston, 1; Sunbury, 1 (6 missing); Milton, 1; Cornwall Heights, 1; Vandegrift, 2.

WEST VIRGINIA

Wheeling, 22; Wellsburg, 2; Keyser, 1.

VIRGINIA

Lynchburg, 1; Buena Vista, 1; Staunton, 1.

OHIO

Bellaire, 1; Bridgeport, 1 (unconfirmed); Martin's Ferry, 1 (unconfirmed).

MASSACHUSETTS

Erving, 1 (unconfirmed); Brockton, 1; Greenfield, 1; Whitinsville, 1; Hadley, 1; Lawrence, 1; Northampton, 1 (unconfirmed); Leominster, 1; Springfield, 1.

NEW HAMPSHIRE

Goffstown, 1; Glen, 1; Milton, 1; Nasmaup, 1; Warren, 1.

VERMONT

Groton, 1; Bellows Falls, 1; Hancock, 2; Brattleboro, 1; Newport, 1; Williamstown, 1.

CONNECTICUT

Hartford, 1; Norwich, 1; Stamford, 1; Stratford, 1.

NEW YORK

Owego, 1.

MAINE

Waterville, 1.

Total, 145.

MARYLAND

Cumberland, 2.

FEAR BAD FOOD IN PITTSBURGH

Inspectors Ordered to Destroy Tainted Supplies to Prevent Disease.

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PITTSBURGH, March 20.—Sixteen inspectors were assigned today to seek out and destroy all food tainted by flood waters.

City health authorities enforced urgent measures to prevent outbreak of disease with the receding inundation.

A water shortage threatened the city.

Meanwhile, the muddy flood waters of the Ohio River and its two mighty tributaries, the Monongahela and the Allegheny, moved downstream, leaving in their wake 13 dead in Allegheny County, 50,000 dependent on Red Cross relief and damage of \$25,000,000 in the "Golden Triangle," the rich business district of the nation's leading steel city.

Ohio Is Abating

(Copyright, 1936, by United Press)
MARIETTA, O., March 20.—The rampant Ohio River, leaving behind death and destruction, particularly in the Pittsburgh and Wheeling districts, showed definite signs of abating as it rolled through miles of inundated lowlands between Marietta and Huntington, W. Va., today.

3 Houses Swept Away

(Copyright, 1936, by United Press)
WHEELING, W. Va., March 20.—Three big frame houses were swept from their foundations on Wheeling Island a few minutes after noon today.

It was not known whether any residents were trapped in them.

HAUPTMANN'S DEATH FIXED FOR MARCH 31

Kidnaper Scheduled to Die
in Chair at 8 P. M.

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TRENTON, N. J., March 20.—The execution of Bruno Richard Hauptmann, convicted slayer of the Lindbergh baby, has been set for 8 p. m. March 31.

Only a second reprieve from Gov. Harold G. Hoffman will save Hauptmann. The Governor has said he had "no intention" of granting another stay unless there is "startling new evidence." However, his investigation of the kidnap-murder has not been interrupted since he saved Hauptmann from the chair Jan. 17.

The Governor is seeking an interview with Dr. John F. (Jafie) Condon at Condon's Bronx home. If the interview is arranged, an official stenographer will be present. Atty. Gen. David T. Wilentz still refused to disclose details of his visit with Condon yesterday.

Roosevelt Reiterates Plea
for \$3,000,000 to Aid
Suffering.

CONGRESS ACTION URGED

All Federal Agencies Join
in Drive to Prevent
Spread of Disease.

(Copyright, 1936, by United Press)
WASHINGTON, March 20.—President Roosevelt again delayed the start of his vacation to marshal vast government forces preparing to feed and house the needy and combat the spread of disease in stricken states. He will stay in Washington for at least another 24 hours.

Every agency of the government was co-ordinated in the drive to send relief to flood areas.

Sanitary engineers were dispatched by the Public Health Service to Pennsylvania and West Virginia to aid in restoring disrupted water systems, examine food supplies, vaccinate refugees against typhoid and hasten removal of sewage.

Mr. Roosevelt renewed his appeal for at least \$3,000,000 contributions to aid the Red Cross in sending rescue workers, food, clothing and medical supplies to distressed areas.

Proposals were made in Congress to appropriate funds ranging from \$5,000,000 to \$10,000,000.

Rep. George W. Johnson (D., W. Va.) also introduced a resolution calling for an emergency \$5,000,000 appropriation from relief funds for flood relief in West Virginia.

Ask Billions for Victims

Rep. Matthew Dunn (D., Pa.) offered a resolution seeking an appropriation of \$1,000,000,000 to aid and rehabilitate flood victims in the East.

The resolution proposed that part of the money be loaned to sufferers at a maximum interest rate of 1 per cent.

Rep. Henry Elenbogen (D., Pa.) appealed to the House for speedy action on his resolution asking \$50,000,000 to aid flood victims.

Distress Growing Hourly

Red Cross reports indicated that flood distress was increasing hourly. Latest estimates were that at least 270,000 persons had been driven from their homes by the high waters.

Reports to the Public Health Service showed that distress, from the health standpoint, was most serious in Massachusetts, Connecticut and New York.

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OHIO FLOOD EXPECTED IN INDIANA NEXT WEEK

Armington Says River May Go to 45
Feet at Evansville.

The swollen Ohio River, which is draining Northeastern states of flood waters, is expected to go over its banks in southern Indiana and Illinois next week, J. H. Armington, local weather bureau head, said today.

Reports from Cincinnati indicate a crest of 58 to 60 feet—six to eight feet above flood stage—is to reach that section Sunday or Monday. Evansville expects a 45-foot crest a few days later. This would put the river 10 feet over flood stage there, Mr. Armington said.

The Ohio also might back up the Wabash River at the confluence southwest of Evansville, approximately where the Illinois, Indiana and Kentucky state lines meet, he added.

OBTAIN \$125,000 LOAN

City Health Board Borrows Sum to Meet Current Expenses.

The City Health Board today obtained a 60-day temporary loan of \$125,000 from the American National Bank to meet current expenses in anticipation of spring tax collections. The city is to pay three-fourths of 1 per cent interest and is to get a \$15 premium.

Three Killed in Blast

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TEXARKANA, Ark., March 20.—Three men were burned to death today when fire resulting from an explosion destroyed a combination grocery-bakery and apartment building.

A Bird's-Eye View of Stricken Area



A general air view, above, shows Old Town, Md., inundated.



The greatest flood disaster in the past decade claimed 175 lives and wrought property damage estimated at \$30,000,000 to 10 northeastern states. Easton, Pa., was inundated by the waters of the Delaware River in many places. Above, George Morgan is shown rescuing Jeanne McGregor from the flooded restaurant where she is employed.

Relay Starter

Butler Students to Parade
Through Downtown
This Afternoon.

BUTLER eds and co-eds of the myriad Greek kingdoms of Collegians drove decorated automobiles in the annual In-door Relay Parade through downtown streets this afternoon.

The queen of the relays, Miss Virginia Reynolds, and her court occupied a place of honor in keeping with their beauty and station. While others ride, faithful members of the band walked and tooted their horns.

Student formed on the World War Memorial Plaza, passed south on Pennsylvania-st through the business district, around Monument Circle and north on Meridian-st to the plaza.

The cars were decorated by pledges, who were taken along as a safety measure. They were available to get out and push if something goes wrong with the engine.

TWO trophies for the best decorated cars are to be awarded by Hermon Phillips, track coach and relays sponsor. Prof. C. B. Camp, Dr. Irwin T. Shultz and Miss Florence I. Morrison have been named judges.

For fear of espionage, each fraternity and sorority has kept its plans secret.

6 DIE IN BLAZING HOME

Two Small Children Among Victims of Plantation Fire.

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JONESBORO, Ark., March 20.—Six persons were burned to death in a plantation home fire near here today.

The dead are Edgar Meek, 30, his wife and two small children; his father-in-law and brother-in-law.

GERMANY ASKS FULL EQUALITY

Statement on Rhine Crisis Is
Made to Eden by Von
Ribbentrop.

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LONDON, March 20.—Germany has informed Great Britain that she is unable to accept any proposals in the Rhineland crisis in which she is not treated equally with other nations, German sources understood today.

The German announcement was said to have been made by Joachim von Ribbentrop, chief delegate here, to Anthony Eden, British foreign secretary, whom he visited this morning.

It was believed that Eden in reply emphasized that Germany and France must make mutual sacrifices to liquidate the Rhineland incident and permit solution of the European security and peace problems.

After the conference Eden went to see King Edward VIII at Buckingham Palace. It was understood he informed the King of a statement he was to make in the House of Commons this afternoon on the foreign situation.

Ribbentrop's reported equality announcement concerned proposals on which the Locarno powers agreed last night to inaugurate a series of peace consolidation negotiations. The German reaction to them was expected.

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AUTO CRASH IS FATAL TO TWO

Car Strikes Rail Elevation
Abutment at South and
Capitol.

Two men were injured fatally today when the auto in which they were riding crashed into an elevation abutment near the Big Four unclaimed-freight house at Capitol and South-st.

Jefferson Rubarts, 20, of 523 S. Harding-st, died almost immediately and Patrick Smith, 37, of 521 S. Harding-st, the driver, died later in City Hospital.

Rubarts' body was identified by his wife, Mrs. Genevieve Rubarts.

Police stated there was no warning light at the elevation and that the car was traveling at a high rate of speed. The force of the impact moved the abutment one-half inch.

Car Hits Safety Zone Guard
Eugene Boling, 30, of 1255 College-av, is in City Hospital today in a serious condition with injuries received when his car struck a safety zone guard early this morning at Rural and E. Washington-sts.

Police found Boling unconscious in the driver's seat with cuts on the face.

INDIANA FARMERS TO
RECEIVE \$7,812,000

AAA to Distribute Benefits Soon; Officials Report.

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LAFAYETTE, Ind., March 20.—Benefits totalling \$7,812,000 will be paid to Indiana farmers under agricultural programs in effect prior to Jan. 6, the Agricultural Adjustment Administration announced today.

The payments will be made from special funds appropriated by Congress. Farmers who applied for contracts and prior to Jan. 6, 1936, had made adjustments and complied with requirements regardless of whether contracts had been signed, also will receive benefit payments.

Before 3000 supporters last night in Stambaugh Stadium, formally launching his Midwest campaign for U. S. P. convention votes, he outlined a national policy calculated in every way to please voters of the state that traditionally divides the industrial East and agricultural West.

He declared himself against inflation and deflation, for an "adequate" old-age pension and for economy in relief administration, for extermination of monopoly but not for interference with "independent" business men, and for "a philosophy of plenty." The last point was a dig at the AAA.

Rumors that his campaign for pledged convention delegates is not a campaign in good faith for the nomination are unfounded, he said. "If I am nominated by any honorable means," he said, "I'm going to accept the nomination."

He planned to stay here all day, conferring with G. O. P. leaders opposing the reign of Ed D. Schor, state party chairman, and Walter Brown of Toledo.

16-OUNCE BABY DEAD

Tiny Infant Loses 24-Hour Battle for Life.

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EAST ST. LOUIS, Ill., March 20.—A 16-ounce baby girl, born prematurely on a busy street corner after its mother was struck by a truck, died last night after a 24-hour battle for life.

The infant, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Womack, covered only a bare two-thirds of a hot water bottle which formed his pallet in an incubator.

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of the Dionne
Quintuplets

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Starting Monday
in The Times

INDIANA CASHIER, ROBBER SLAIN IN GUN BATTLE

70 State Police Cars Converge on Southwest
Part of Indiana Following Murder of
Bloomingdale Official.

OUTLAWS ESCAPE IN STOLEN CAR

No Loot Obtained Despite Fact Vault Opened
Automatically 10 Minutes Before
Shooting in Bank.

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BLOOMINGDALE, Ind., March 20.—Seventy Indiana State Police cars this afternoon searched southwest Indiana for bandits who killed Wood Carter, 30-year-old Bank of Bloomingdale cashier, when he opened the institution for business this morning.

Other state police officers sought to identify the body of one of the bandits, killed by Mr. Carter in the gun battle that broke out when he resisted the attempt of the gang to rob the bank.

The bandits had entered the bank through a cellar door, apparently with the intention of holding up the first employe to appear.

There were no witnesses to the shooting, and only one person in town now recalls that he heard the shots. Apparently no one saw the bandits leave.

State Police theorized that Mr. Carter resisted when the bandits held him up, and started to shoot with a .38-caliber automatic pistol. The bandit also opened fire with a .38-caliber automatic pistol. Mr. Carter shot four times, hitting the slain bandit once.

Both Shot in Head

Mr. Carter and the bandit both were shot in the head. State police do not believe any of the other bandits were wounded. They got no money, although the time lock of the vault opened automatically at 8 and the time of the shooting has been fixed at 8:10.

When they left the bank, the bandits split up, taking Mr. Carter's auto in addition to their own. They headed out State Road 41 toward Terre Haute, but changed their course, because some time later a farmer saw them three miles and one-half east of Bloomington.

There, he saw one bandit abandon the stolen Carter car, getting into another car which he believed contained two men. He told State Police he did not take the license numbers.

Three States on Guard

After that, the bandits disappeared. Indiana, Illinois and Ohio police have been warned to be on the lookout for the men, but there was nothing but a meager description of the car.

At one time it was thought the killers were in a woods near Turkey Run State Park, and police cars were directed to that area, but that view proved groundless.

The bodies of Mr. Carter and the unidentified bandit were not found until L. J. Brown, bank president, came to work. He discovered the body of the bandit in front of the vault and that of Mr. Carter inside the cashier's cage.

No Identification Marks

The only mark of identification on the bandit was a package of paper matches bearing the name of a St. Louis sandwich shop. His body was taken to the H. A. Skelton Funeral Home in Rockville, where fingerprints are to be taken and forwarded to the Department of Justice in Washington.

Shells of exploded cartridges were strewn about the bank and in the air was the acrid smell of gun-powder fumes. Mr. Brown and his associates immediately notified the state police and by 9 a force of 43 was on duty. This group later was augmented and Capt. Matt Leach came here to take charge of the investigation.

The police of all cities in Indiana, southeastern Illinois and southwestern Ohio were informed by radio and telephone and began a patrol of all roads and highways. The chase was hindered somewhat by a general snowfall.

Bloomington is in Parke County, about 50 miles west of Indianapolis, six miles north of Rockville and near Terre Haute.

No one in Bloomington who saw the body of the bandit was able to identify it.

Mr. Carter was unmarried. He lived with his father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Carter.

Because it was snowing here early this morning, no one was on the streets. This afforded the fugitives a head start.

They were traced by footprints and tire tracks in the snow.

By United Press
FORT WAYNE, Ind., March 20.—Two unmasked bandits held up the Randall Investment Co. here late yesterday, held the president and two employes at the point of a gun, and escaped with more than \$500 in cash.