

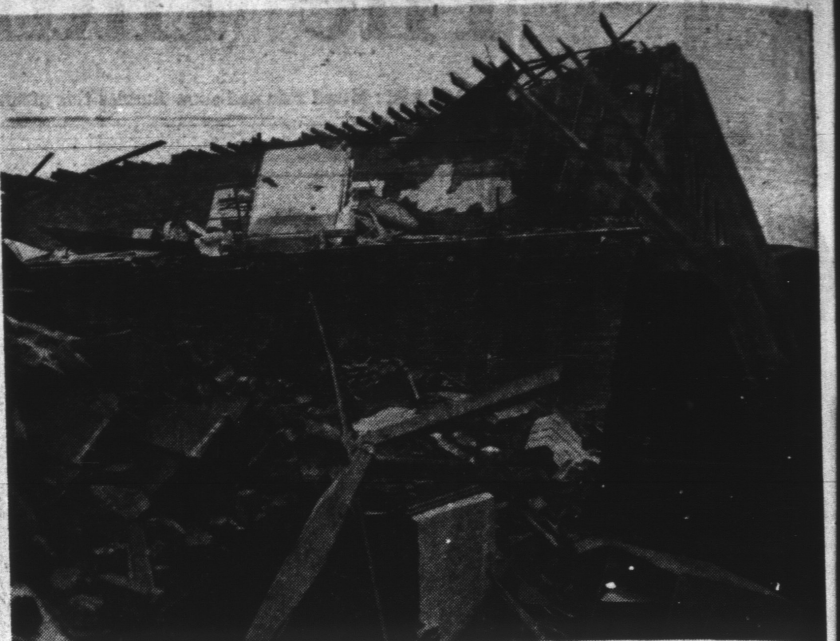
Death Cheated Here . . . This Was Home . . . Business Ruins



SAVED BY SECONDS—This was the Coatesville Baptist Church today. Seconds before it was leveled by the tornado, the Rev. Leslie Long and assistants led 10 small children from the structure. They had been practicing for an Easter pageant. Driven around a corner, in two automobiles, the children escaped injury.



THIS WAS HOME—Mrs. Bernard Edwards, Coatesville, looks through the rubble of her home, attempting to salvage some clothing and a jar of dimes. The family was away when the storm struck.



BUSINESS DISTRICT—A section of the Coatesville business district is shown after the tornado tore away second-story apartments. Farm tractors and other equipment were crushed in the store below. The building shown is next door to the home of Frank Ellett, the town postmaster. Mr. and Mrs. Ellett were killed.

19 Killed as Tornado Rips Through Hendricks County

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tered buildings to the ground, tore brick walls apart brick by brick and scattered masonry on the streets. Huge trees were uprooted and crashed down on houses, blocked streets and made rescue work difficult and dangerous.

Whole sides were torn from several houses. Others were flattened to the ground. The Coatesville Baptist Church was leveled.

A three-family apartment building caught fire and crashed flaming into its own basement. Four charred bodies already have been removed from the ashes.

Searchers were forced to wait until the ashes cooled before they could probe deeper for possible victims.

The bank, the postoffice and two small stores in the center of town were ripped wide open.

Elliott's grocery store, owned by Carl Elliott, 53, was crushed flat to the ground, killing Harry Britton of Crawfordsville who had just walked in to deliver meat to the store. The wife and 16-year-old daughter of the proprietor escaped miraculously and Mr. Elliott, himself, escaped from the building next door just before it fell.

Grain Elevator Topples

The Coatesville grain elevator was toppled to the ground and smashed. Bulldozers tried to clear away the rubble of the Farmers' Supply store and of the home of Wayne Beaman, 29-year-old war veteran next to it.

Mr. Beaman was literally plowed up out of the wreckage of his home, still alive. He died in the Red Cross emergency hospital at the Coatesville Consolidated School a few minutes later.

By midnight last night emergency lighting units had been set up in scattered locations. Fire departments from nearby villages were standing by through the night in case new fires should break out.

Parts of automobiles, torn off by the wind and lodged atop utility poles, forced pedestrians to make wide detours even on the few streets that were passable. In one home a large refrigerator was blown clear of the wreckage of the house and hurled into the street.

Residents of the center of the town, where the storm struck hardest, said they were literally blown off their feet by the force of the gale.

All of the estimated 125 dwellings in the town were damaged and it was estimated nearly 80 were completely demolished. It was difficult to tell from looking at the wreckage how many houses were piled together and before daylight no actual count of the wrecked buildings could be made.

Hundreds Roam Streets

Temporary quarters were set up on the second floor of the school building for the homeless who had not already found lodging with friends outside the town. Hundreds of persons roamed the streets through the night searching for missing friends or relatives. State police set up a headquarters in one of the few homes still standing, cared for some of the injured and operated a clearing house for the names of dead, injured and missing.

It was difficult to keep track of the missing because all night long reports trickled in of persons who had found refuge.

Search in Wreckage

While a crew of Indianapolis fire department rescue workers helped in the search of the wreckage, dozens of ambulances from Indianapolis and Greencastle shuttled in and out of the stricken town with dead and injured.

Emergency staffs of doctors from Robert Long Hospital and General Hospital in Indianapolis were brought in to help care for residents who could not be moved immediately.



CRUSHED IN CAR—The occupant of this automobile was killed when the vehicle was crushed under masonry and debris of collapsing business buildings at Coatesville.

Grief-Stricken Residents Survey Coatesville Ruins

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stepping carefully over upturned roofing nails, "I've got my four children."

Hunched against the bitter wind, two men in galoshes picked their way northward through acres of debris. Nothing was standing around them higher than a man's head. One was hunting for his panel truck.

The other in a red running cap held up a child's toy seat.

The trucker looked at it and shook his head.

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2 Hadley Residents Killed in Storm

Dairy Owner Injured By Silo Collapse

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Columbus Firm Starts Operation in New Place

Time State Service

COLUMBUS, Ind., Mar. 27.—Production was started this week by Noblitt-Sparks Industries, Inc., in its new radio assembly building.

The transfer of the radio assembly to the new structure will make way for expansion of the company's general offices. The assembly occupied a section of the office building.

Storm Increases Flood Peril; Capture Prisoner Crisp, Cool Easter Forecast

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3 Killed on Ind. 6

VALPARAISO, Ind., Mar. 27 (UP)—Three men were killed today when a truck and an automobile collided on Ind. 6, seven miles northwest of here. The dead were Allen Tuthill, 21; Robert Lee Howard, 33, and Jacob Turner, 28, all of Valparaiso. They were factory workers. All three were riding in the car.

List of Injured

Here is a list of the storm injured known to be in hospitals:

At the Red Cross Emergency station in Coatesville:

MRS. OPAL TINCHEP, 51, of Coatesville, good.

MRS. EDNA MASTEN, 29, of Coatesville, fair.

MARY SACRA, 31, of Danville, good.

CLARENCE NEWLAN, 32, of Hadley, good.

HAROLD WILLEN, 28, of North Salem, good.

EVELYN WILLEN, of North Salem, good.

CLAUDE DAWES, of Coatesville, good.

MAX CASSADY, of Coatesville, good.

BERNICE GREENLEE, of Coatesville, good.

MELVIN DORDAN, of Coatesville, good.

ANNICE WRIGHT, of Coatesville, good.

JOHN GAMBLE, of Coatesville, good.

MAY MUTTON, of Coatesville, good.

GRACE GAMBLE, of Coatesville, good.

BERT WALLACE, 26, of Coatesville, good.

At General Hospital in Indianapolis:

RALPH McQUIRE, 27, of Hadley, critical.

MRS. JESSIE DOOLEY, 71, of Danville, critical.

WILL TEMPLETON, 61, of Danville, serious.

At Methodist Hospital in Indianapolis:

HOWARD DAVIS, 50, of Coatesville, good.

VICTOR JENKINS, 15, months of Coatesville, fair.

DOROTHY JENKINS, 25, of Coatesville, to be released.

KENNETH JENKINS, 27, of Coatesville, fair.

BEVERLY JENKINS, 4, of Coatesville, good.

MRS. ANNIE STEWART, 87, of Coatesville, serious.

MISS DAISY BOAL, 60, of Danville, good.

MRS. HELEN LININGER, 45, of La Porte (injured at Coatesville), good.

ELVIN STEWART, 78, of Coatesville, good.

MRS. ROSE EDWARDS, 51, of Coatesville, good.

REX HATHAWAY, 20, of Coatesville, to be released.

At St. Vincent's Hospital in Indianapolis:

MRS. HELEN DORSETT, of Danville, critical.

At Robert Long Hospital in Indianapolis:

EARL WALLACE, 45, of

Coatesville, fair.

CHARLES WEST, 77, of Coatesville, fair.

MRS. FRANCES MARK, 64, of Coatesville, good.

MRS. J. W. MARLEY, 62, of Coatesville, fair.

MRS. LOIS PENNINGTON, 27, of Danville, good.

MRS. HOMER J. WOOD, 54, of Coatesville, good.

MRS. HERSCHELL V. CLINE, 54, of Coatesville, fair.

MRS. DAN H. CUMMINGS, 55, of Danville, fair.

GEORGE MASTEN, of Coatesville, to be released.

ORENA CUNNING, of Danville, good.

PHYLIS CUNNING, of Danville, good.

At Greencastle Hospital:

MRS. ETHEL COX, Greencastle, to be released.

MRS. GALE ROBINSON, of Coatesville, good.

JAMES WALTERS, of Coatesville, serious.

RUSSELL SIDMONS, of Coatesville, fair.

FRANK ELLETT, 9, of Coatesville, critical.

HERSCHELL GREENLEE, 61, of Coatesville, critical.

ROSE WHITE, 3, of Coatesville, critical.

MRS. ELZA MARLEY, of Coatesville, good.

SMITH MARLEY, of Coatesville, good.

WARD RAWLINGS, of Coatesville, good.

MRS. DOROTHY CLINE, 88, of Coatesville, critical.

ANNETTE LAWRENCE, 9, of Coatesville, serious.

MRS. JESSIE ARNOLD, of Greencastle, good.

MARY LOU ACTON, 22, of Greencastle, good.

LAWRENCE ACTON, 24, of Greencastle, fair.

MISS MONICE BURGESS, of Coatesville, good.

MARK BURGESS, of Coatesville, good.

At Riley Hospital in Indianapolis:

ALTE LOIS JACKSON, 9, Clayton, serious.

MR. BREWER, Danville, slightly injured.

MRS. CHURCH, Danville, treated and released.

FANNIE DAUGHTON, Danville, sent to employer's home.

MR. GUTHRIE, Danville, serious.

EDNA HAND, Danville, minor injuries.

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