

# CLOUDBURST DROWNS 58

### Flood That Followed Done \$3,500,000 Damage in South Carolina.

### MANY BUILDINGS DESTROYED

#### Sudden and Unprecedented Flood Pours Down Upon Textile Village, Carrying Away Factories, Dwellings and Church.

Spartanburg, S. C., June 8.—A torrential rainstorm, followed by a cloudburst, visited this region, resulting in a general destruction of life and property. The greatest destruction occurred at the Pacolet and Clifton and Glendale cotton mills. Fifty-eight persons were drowned and the financial damage is estimated at \$3,500,000.

Five hundred people are homeless and 4,000 are thrown out of employment.

At Clifton alone 100 operatives are missing from the village and all are believed to have been lost. Many dead bodies were washed ashore here and there, and occasionally a dismembered limb would float to the banks.

At Converse 13 dead are reported and 41 at Clifton No. 2. At Clifton No. 2 26 homes were destroyed, 13 at Clifton No. 1 and 20 at Clifton No. 3.

The loss at Clifton's three mills will approximate \$2,000,000. At Pacolet the loss is nearly \$1,000,000. The greatest want among the survivors is at Clifton, where 500 are destitute.

At Converse mills, the newest of Clifton's cluster, the walls were all washed away and the looms left standing. The engine bricks were carried three miles down stream, demolishing the operatives' houses on the way.

There were many thrilling rescues from trees and houses. B. S. Johnson lost his wife and all his children, as did R. A. Finley and J. D. Owens.

Following is a summary of the damage to the cotton mills: Pacolet Nos. 1 and 2, totally destroyed; Pacolet No. 3, badly damaged; these mills operated 60,000 spindles and 2,200 looms; Clifton No. 3 mill, at Converse, 54,000 spindles, totally destroyed; Dexter mills, 30,000 spindles, half destroyed; Clifton mills, 27,500 spindles, half destroyed; Glendale mills, badly damaged; Pacolet warehouse was totally destroyed, and 3,500 bales of cotton and 4,000 bales of yarn were swept down stream. At Pacolet a Presbyterian church, hotel and a number of mill cottages were entirely destroyed.

The flood was due to a mighty cloudburst along the headwaters of the Pacolet river in Polk county, this state. The crest of the flood when it reached Pacolet was 60 feet high. The mills were located along the banks of the stream in a deep valley, high hills rising on either side, and caught the full force of the flood, mills and houses being swept away.

### War Department Will Give Relief.

Washington, June 8.—Absolutely necessary relief in the way of rations, medicines, etc., will be given by the war department to the sufferers by the disastrous floods in South Carolina. An appeal to Secretary Root from the local authorities resulted in orders being given to General Chaffee, commanding the department of the east, to this effect. He will authorize an officer to proceed north from Atlanta with sufficient supplies to relieve immediate necessities, as was done in the case of the sufferers by the Gainesville, Ga., catastrophe.

### FLOOD AT ITS WORST

#### Thirty-five Dead and 25,000 Homeless in Vicinity of St. Louis.

St. Louis, June 9.—So great an extent of territory is covered by the flood, so constantly changing are the conditions as the water creeps higher and renders the situation the more chaotic, and so unreliable are the various rumors of the devastation that a substantial summary of the losses of lives and property cannot be obtained, but information from apparently the most reliable sources showed the situation to be as follows:

River stage 37.5 feet, stationary. Thirty-five lives known to have been lost.

Over 200,000 acres of rich farming lands under water.

All of Venice and the greater parts of Madison and Granite City under water.

Twenty-five thousand people rendered homeless.

Freight traffic completely paralyzed and passenger traffic practically so.

Hundreds and probably thousands of head of stock drowned.

East St. Louis threatened with complete inundation.

St. Louis flooded only along the water front.

Entire property loss estimated at \$2,000,000.

In East St. Louis, on proclamation of Mayor Cook, business is suspended, the saloons are closed and everybody is at work on the levees in a desperate effort to save the city, which is from one to four inches below the level of the water that presses up against the embankment. A hastily constructed levee of sandbags and mud, is all that stands between the city and almost complete submersion. If the levee gives way all the main part of the city will be quickly flooded and not a street in the business section will be left out of water. The relay station is now surrounded by water.

Relief boats were sent to Venice, Ill., which is completely flooded as a result of the break in the levee just south of the Merchants' bridge. Only the roofs of houses are visible and the 800 inhabitants are homeless. Many persons were obliged to flee from the flood only partly clad. The

Methodist Church was lifted from its foundations and carried three blocks. In the school house, which is of brick, 200 men, women and children have found refuge. Unless there is a rise of another foot or so they are safe, but they have no food supplies. Several business houses were carried away in the terrific current, and stock valued at thousands of dollars was destroyed.

When the Venice levee burst the current swept northward to the terminal yards. The citizens had barely time to leave their homes. One woman who lived close to the river put her three children in a washtub and waded through the waters, which kept increasing. They escaped.

John Arnold, who escaped from North Venice, brought the report that a house containing 13 occupants was swept away and all were drowned. River thieves are looting the various houses.

The climax of the flood came by the breaking of a levee near Granite City. A wall of water six feet high rushed down upon Madison, sweeping houses from their foundations and drowning 15 refugees who were vainly fleeing for their lives. The report was current that 15 workmen in the St. Louis car and foundry works had been drowned, but later it was found that, while seven employees had lost their lives, 13 others—men, women and children—had perished. Hundreds of persons were forced to the roofs of their floating houses and an appeal was sent to St. Louis for assistance.

For the balance of the day and into the night the work of rescuing refugees from floating houses, tree tops and various high places proceeded, and, there being no place to take them nearer than St. Louis, they are pouring into the city by hundreds, wet, hungry and dispirited.

### BIG SOFT COAL STRIKE IMMINENT

#### Webster Company Violating Provisions of the Altoona Scale.

Altoona, Pa., June 9.—President Patrick Gilday, of the Central Pennsylvania bituminous coal field, charges the Webster Coal and Coke Company with violating the provisions of the Altoona scale, and declares that the scale must be fully complied with in 10 days or every plant owned and operated by that company will be ordered closed.

The Webster Company employs 10,000 miners and is the largest concern in Central Pennsylvania. Thomas Watkins, member of the anthracite arbitration commission, is vice president and the dominant stockholder. President Gilday says that at the big Ben Creek properties the cutters are getting 30 cents a day below the scale; that the company has widened the differential that at Gallitzin one-half cent a ton and is not complying with the check-off clause. The company's representatives refuse to meet the Miners Union officials to adjust the differences.

National President John Mitchell has been informed of the situation by President Gilday and has promised support from the \$1,000,000 treasury of the national body in case of a strike. However, this will not be needed until after the \$100,000 defense fund of the district is exhausted. The miners' officials fear the Webster people are ambitious to overtake the union. They say the company's attitude endangers the joint agreement in the Central Pennsylvania territory.

### STARVED TO SAVE LOVED ONES

#### Was Saving Money to Bring Family From Kisheneff.

New York, June 8.—Trying to save money to bring his family from the scene of the massacre at Kisheneff, Nathan Longhart, 45 years old, of 5 Elizabeth street, starved himself to death. Longhart came here three years ago from a town near Kisheneff, leaving his wife and five daughters and a sister. He had sent money at regular intervals to his wife.

He worked as a tailor for David Cohen, in Elizabeth street. To save expense he slept in the shop on a pile of old clothes and rags. His wages was \$5 a week.

Last week he received a letter from his wife in which she told him of the death of his youngest child. On May 14 he sent his wife \$13 and in the letter accompanying the money said he hoped soon to send her more, so that she could get away from peril. Yesterday Longhart was found dead. Fellow-workmen said that for his breakfast he drank a glass of milk. For his dinner and supper he ate some bread and drank a little milk. Of his \$5 a week, it is said that all but a few cents was sent to his wife.

### Wholesale Emigration.

Vienna, June 8.—There is a wholesale emigration of miners and workmen in the iron districts of Austria to the United States in consequence of the unprecedented stagnation of the iron industry. Hundreds of men have been discharged since the beginning of the year and the mines and iron works are operating on short time. Wages have fallen 50 per cent, and in many instances the men are earning less than 50 cents a day, and their families are suffering severely. There is faint hope of any immediate improvement in the situation, and whole colonies of workmen are leaving the country.

### Big Trip in a Small Boat.

Gloucester, Mass., June 8.—Howard Blackburn, who already has made two voyages across the Atlantic alone in small dories, has started in his 15-foot dory America in a third attempt to cross the ocean, with Havre as his objective point. His intention is to return via Gibraltar, Western Islands, Porto Rico and Cuba and exhibit his boat at the St. Louis Exposition. A large crowd on the wharves and crafts in the harbor gave him a hearty send-off.

### To Consider Davis Memorial.

Richmond, Va., June 6.—A call has been issued for a meeting of the board of directors of the Davis Monument Association to be held here June 10 to consider what form the memorial to Jefferson Davis, to be erected in this city, shall take. This is the result of the inability of the executive committee to erect an arch with the \$50,000 available.

# FRENCH BOMBARD FIGUIG

### General O'Connor's Force Opens Fire on Moroccan Town.

### GREAT DESTRUCTION WAS DONE

#### France Takes Steps to Punish Arab Rebels For Attack on Governor General Jonnart and Escort—Will Not Take Territory.

Beni-Cunif, Algeria, June 9.—The French artillery opened a preliminary fire at 5.30 o'clock yesterday on Figuig, the stronghold of the rebelling Zenaga tribesmen who recently attacked and tried to ambush Governor General Jonnart and his escort, of whom 13 were seriously injured. The actual bombardment began at 7.30 o'clock and lasted until 11 A. M., when a great destruction of houses had been wrought, the mosque destroyed and it is believed a great number of natives killed.

General O'Connor commands the punitive expedition, consisting of 4,000 men of the Foreign Legion and a strong force of artillery, armed with guns firing Melinite shells. General O'Connor's plan was to advance on Figuig in three columns and post his artillery on commanding hills surrounding the rebels' stronghold.

At 9.30 A. M. the French troops occupied Juive Hill and another eminence, both strategic positions, by a surprise movement. The ramparts of the town were then 1200 metres distant, and, like the houses which were half a mile behind them, built of compressed earth. From these hills the artillery made excellent practice, the Melinite shells making a big breach in the ramparts and destroying a multitude of houses, the inhabitants of which had fled at the first shots. Finally the fire so concentrated on the Mosque, which was much venerated, and the edifice was blown to pieces. This destruction of the Mosque is expected to have a great moral effect. The Moors, concealed in the palm groves, replied with artillery to the French bombardment, but without effect. At 11 o'clock the French guns were withdrawn to Djennan-Ed-Dar, where General O'Connor was waiting offers of submission when this despatch left.

All the women and children left the town before the action. The French fired a few shells at distant parts of the oasis in order to impress the Moors with the power and range of the French guns. Throughout the engagement there was no loss on the French side.

The bulk of the population of Figuig is expected to be friendly to the French, as neighboring tribes are assisting in the operations of the punitive expedition.

France has formally notified the powers that she has no intention of taking Moroccan territory, and will only punish the Arab brigands who were responsible for the recent attack on the escort of Governor General Jonnart.

General O'Connor was instructed to give the women and children of Figuig an opportunity to leave the town before the bombardment. A friendly Arab courier, bearing a notification to this effect to the women and children, was killed while carrying the message.

### PRESIDENT AT HOME

#### Mr. Roosevelt Gets Hearty Reception On Return to Washington.

Washington, June 6.—President Roosevelt returned to Washington last night from his memorable trip of over two months through the west. He was given a hearty reception by the people of the capital, who lined the sidewalks as his carriage, escorted by the battalions of High School Cadets, was driven to the White House. The president cordially responded to the greetings given him and repeatedly stood up in his carriage and waved his hat and bowed his acknowledgments. He looked the picture of health.

The trip just completed has been in some respects the most remarkable a president ever took. Mr. Roosevelt and his party traveled over 14,000 miles on railroads and several hundred miles in stage coaches and carriages, but not an accident marred their journey.

During the 65 days that the president spent on the road he made 265 speeches, and had it not been for Secretary Loeb's firmness he would have made nearly double that number. One of the remarkable features of the trip was the non-partisan spirit displayed in the reception of the president everywhere. Democratic as well as Republican mayors united in extending him a welcoming hand, while at Springfield, Ill., former Vice President Stevenson rode in the carriage with the president.

### Negro Ran Amuck in Circus.

Albany, N. J., June 5.—Ludgar Sybaris, a negro advertised by a circus performing here as the sole survivor of the destruction of St. Pierre, Martinique, by Mont Pelee, ran amuck with a knife in the circus tent and cut David A. Cole, of Baltimore, in the knee. He was finally lassoed and taken to the police station, wound about from shoulders to feet with many feet of line.



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#### COURT PROCLAMATION—Special Term.

Whereas the Hon. John G. Love, President Judge of the Court of Common Pleas of the 4th district consisting of the county of Centre, having issued his precept bearing date the 7th day of May, 1903, and to me directed, for holding a special term of court of Common Pleas of Oyer and Terminer, General Jail delivery, Orphans' Court and Quarter Sessions of the Peace, in Bellefonte, for the county of Centre and to commence on the fourth Monday of June next, being the 22d day of June, 1903, notice is hereby given that all persons summoned as jurors are hereby notified to attend given under my hand at Bellefonte the 15th day of May, 1903, and the one hundredth and twenty sixth year of the Independence of the United States. H. S. TAYLOR, Sheriff.

#### RULE ON HEIRS.

PENNSYLVANIA, CENTRE COUNTY, SS: I, A. G. Atchey, clerk of the Orphans' Court of said county of Centre, do hereby certify that in an Orphan's Court held at Bellefonte, the 4th day of May, A. D. 1903, before the Honorable the Judges of said Court, on motion a rule was granted upon the heirs and legal representatives of Sarah Schreck, deceased, to come into Court on the fourth Monday of August next to accept or refuse to accept at the valuation, or show cause why the real estate of said deceased should not be sold. Same notice to be given as in Inquisition. IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of said Court at Bellefonte, the 8th day of May, A. D. 1903. A. G. ATCHHEY, C. O. C.

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