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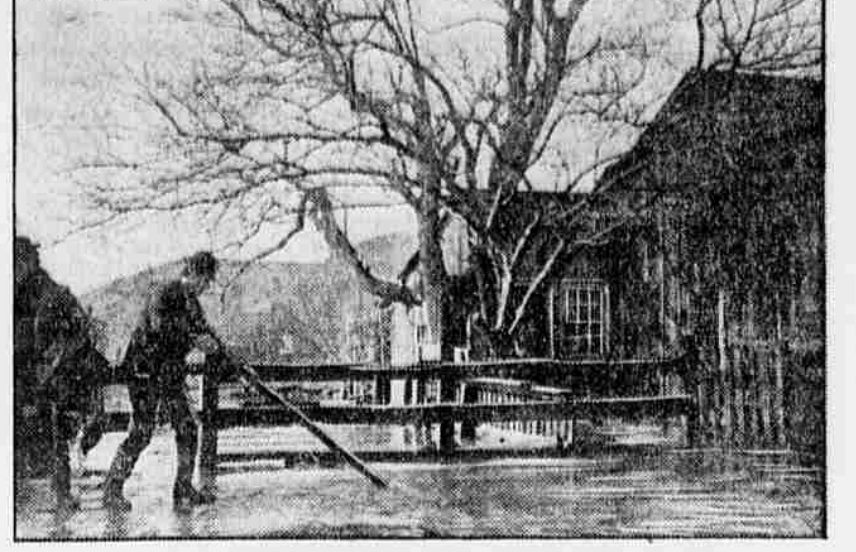
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At midnight the indications were that February's fierce farewell performance in the matter of weather was at an end. Precipitation had ceased, the skies were clearing and the air was portentous of fair weather.

These, truly, were welcome signs to the thousands of lowland residents, who for a week past have been living in fear of a flood and, for two days past, have either sought shelter among their highland neighbors or stood in readiness to do that same at any moment.

Early Saturday morning the waters began to recede and with the coming of the day there was every indication that the elements had exhausted themselves. The sun came out and during the whole of Saturday, except in the morning, when an impenetrable fog settled over the whole valley, a beautiful spring day obtained.

By daylight yesterday morning the river and its tributaries had gotten well back within their banks, but the day had only begun when rain commenced to fall, and at noon time the streams once more began to rise. In five hours the river rose thirty inches. The rain ceased at nightfall and at 3 o'clock the waters ceased to rise. From that time on they fell gradually but steadily and by midnight they were again back to the level of Saturday night. With no more rain it is a safe calculation that the flood will be a thing of the past before tonight is many hours old.

What the heavens contributed towards a recurrence of Friday's flood was augmented on the South Scranton side by the released water from the East Mountain reservoirs. In consequence there was a repetition yesterday of many of the scenes of Friday night.

**ANOTHER BOY DROWNED.**

Another boy, Joseph Gallagher, of Taylor, was on Saturday added to the list of flood victims, making three in all. There is a fear also that a fourth victim has been contributed by Taylor. A miner, James O'Malley, is missing, and it is supposed he was drowned. The body of the Evans boy, drowned in Keyser creek was recovered. The body of the Naughton boy has not as yet been found.

The Delaware, Lackawanna and Western company was tied up Saturday night by washouts but resumed traffic yesterday. The Delaware and Hudson company opened up its road Saturday morning, but the Ontario and Western and Jersey Central are still tied up.

The flood claimed a third victim in this locality, Saturday. Joseph Gallagher, a 14-year-old Taylor boy, fell from the bridge connecting Taylor and Minooka and was swept away in the turbulent water.

He was one of a number of persons who were on the bridge about 6 o'clock Saturday evening watching the river. A wooden guard rail, against which he was leaning, broke and he was precipitated into the river. The swift current rapidly carried him down the stream, and in a short while he disappeared. The body had not been recovered up to a late hour last night. The boy was the only son of an aged mother who was widowed three years ago by an explosion in the Jermyn & Co. mines in Old Forge.

**PROBABLY ANOTHER.**

It is believed that Taylor has contributed a fourth victim, James O'Malley, aged thirty-five, a miner at the Archbold colliery, came out of the mine early Saturday afternoon and started for home. Nothing has been seen or heard of him since. It is feared he was drowned in crossing Keyser creek on his way home. He was an unmarried man and boarded at Youngblood's hotel. The fact that he was a total abstainer from intoxicants heightens the belief that something tragic has befallen him.

The body of young Daniel Evans, the boy who was drowned in the Keyser Valley creek on Friday, was recovered on Saturday morning about a half mile from the stream from the point where he fell in.

A searching party had been at work for some time before the body was found, and just about the time it was recovered the boy's father appeared on the scene, and carried the lifeless form home.

Coroner Saltry was notified and will hold an inquest today. The funeral services will be held at the house in Sloan Patch tomorrow afternoon at 3 o'clock. Interment will be made in the Washburn street cemetery.

Great alarm was occasioned all during Saturday by a report that the Elmhurst dam was in danger of giving away. The log on the reservoir broke at 4 o'clock in the morning and gorged at the spillway. Huge flogs pounded at the dam with great force and the Gas and Water company officials sent word along the line of Roaring Brook for the residents to be ready to move out quickly at the first warning of a flood. It was arranged in this city that the steel mill gongs should be sounded if the dam broke. All day long the people of the flats lived in fear. Towards nightfall their fear abated on the receipt of intelligence that the ice gorge had been successfully broken up by the use of dynamite.

**SUFFERED AGAIN.**

The residents of South Scranton flats were treated to a repetition of Friday's flood on Saturday, and while the people on the higher ground were enjoying the beautiful spring-like weather, those who, unfortunately, have their homes near the Lackawanna, between Beech

and Cherry streets, were busy moving their household effects.

At 5 o'clock the muddy overflow had reached the same mark as the night previous, and at 8 o'clock it had passed the previous high-water mark by fully eighteen inches, and reached a point opposite the polling place on South Washington avenue. Several families who had dared the flood on the night previous were compelled to vacate, and the entire territory, bounded by the Delaware and Hudson on one side and the river on the other, and between Beech and Cherry streets, was a lonely scene of desolation, water and mud.

The opening of the Elmhurst dam was said to be the cause of the second overflow, and at times the raging waters of the Roaring Brook would leap up and over the two bridges, located at the intersection of Beech street and South Washington avenue.

The flood of the night previous had weakened the foundation of a large house, owned by Thomas McGinnis, and the continued battering-ram force of the waters, which met at a point opposite the dwelling, proved too much, so that the end nearest the river tipped entirely over. In doing so the structure parted from a one-story addition in the rear, leaving a big V-shaped opening in the wall. The property is practically ruined.

A contrast, which caused some comment, was the immovable appearance of two sewer manholes at each end of the McGinnis house, which stood fully two feet above the water, self-evidencing the wisdom of their own impudency in relieving the situation.

**RAILS UNDERMINED.**

The Jersey Central tracks, at a point opposite the junction of the Roaring Brook and the river, have been completely washed out, and, for over 300 feet, the rails and ties are at an angle of 45 degrees, tipping towards the river.

John Moran, the barber, was prevented from following his avocation on Saturday night. A number of customers, who had been waiting their turn, were caught by the rapidly rising water, and imprisoned for several hours. The water receded so that he was able to resume business, early yesterday morning, so that his customers could attend church with clean faces. At Casey & Kelly's brewery, steam pumps and drainage were kept busy yesterday, and the water needed so that they were able to resume business, early yesterday morning, so that his customers could attend church with clean faces.

**CHANNEL CLOGGED.**

Clogging up the river channel caused water to back up considerably in the lowlands to the north and the Diamond fields, Capouse, Park Place and Green Ridge flats were again subjected to the inundation. The General Putney Engine company was called out Saturday night to rescue families in the Parker street locality who feared to remain over night in their homes. Sixteen persons were taken out with the aid of the Schaffer house on Parker street had its foundations washed out, and it settled into the water at a slant. The occupants were rescued in a boat.

The Ash street bridge over the Roaring Brook, back of Peterburg which was loosened from its abutments by the last flood, was again disturbed, this time being carried some distance down the stream.

Water from the river washed out the earth from about the foundations of some of the heavy machinery at the Bolt and Nut Works causing them to sag, and necessitating the shutting down of a part of the works.

The Delaware, Lackawanna and Western road which escaped any very serious ill effects of the flood Friday began to suffer severely on Saturday. The Elmhurst dam overflowed the retaining wall skirting the railroad and washed out both tracks. The Delaware river began to rise during the night and by noon time had covered the railroad with several feet of water. There were also several small washouts on the northern division and a big one at Elmira.

**THE LAST TRAIN.**

The last train to come through from New York was the express reaching here at 6.59 p. m. Saturday. After this train had gotten past the Delaware Water Gap the river overflowed and blocked the tracks. Train No. 4, leaving here for New York at 12.45 p. m., started out Saturday on time, but was halted at Elmhurst by the washout and compelled to transfer its passengers. The train on the other side of the washout got as far as Stroudsburg when a telegram announced that it was impossible to get through the gap. The passengers had to remain at Stroudsburg over night. They were allowed to resume their journey yesterday morning at 10 o'clock.

The first train to get through yesterday was a special carrying President Truesdale. It arrived here at 3 o'clock and returned at 5 o'clock. President Truesdale and General Superintendent Clark spent the interim together consulting over the matter of keeping the road clear.

Several thousand men were stationed in gangs along the whole length of the main line all of Saturday and yesterday repairing the breaks caused by the flood. General Superintendent Clarke and Division Superintendent Rine remained all night directing the work. Nearly all the other officials likewise put in a straight twenty-four hours shift.

Two trains for New York were started out yesterday afternoon, one before and the other after the president's special. News of the resumption of traffic was sent to all the big hotels in the two valleys, and when the first train pulled into the Scranton station headed for New York, two hundred beleaguered passengers, including many from Wilkes-Barre and the Tim Murphy company from Carbondale, set up a rousing cheer.

**DALTON CREEK.**

The creek running through Dalton became a rushing river Friday and overflowed its banks in many places. People living on the lowlands had to move with their stock to higher ground. An abutment of the new stone arch culvert was washed out and the bridge collapsed. It was feared that the Elmhurst dam would burst and persons living in the track the water would take if released deserted their homes until the danger had subsided.

The Scranton Tribune was the only paper to reach the upper valley Saturday night. It was the only one of the papers and no end of really thrilling experiences to distribute the papers through the flooded valley but the Tribune "got there just the same." On the Olympia flat, two Tribune men and a team and wagon, drove off the road in a fog, and got into water that made the horse give up walking and took to swimming. The occupants of the wagon stood on the seat, but even at that got their feet wet. Some of the papers were soaked but not made illegible.

The Elmira Telegram printed its Scranton edition here. Local Manager P. A. Barrett anticipated the possibility of the tie-up of the Lackawanna and made arrangements that insured to the local readers the delight of an hour or so with "Casey" et al. The New York and Philadelphia papers arrived here on the Lackawanna yesterday afternoon.

**DAMAGE AT PECKVILLE.**

Friday's storm and the melting snows wrought great damage in and about Peckville. In Blakely Hill's creek got on a rampage and tore up streets and filled many cellars. At one time Friday night Main street of Blakely looked like a river. Water flowed through yards, filling cellars and doing great damage. At Bell Place, Sulphur Brook overflowed its banks and people living in the vicinity were obliged to wade in water two feet deep to reach their homes. In Peckville proper, very little damage was done, beyond the piling of cellars. On Cemetery street the Delaware, Lackawanna and West-ern railroad was badly washed out. Nearly one hundred feet of track was damaged.

On the East Side greater damage resulted. To put the roads in good shape again will cost the borough a goodly sum. The Strick Creek and Mount Jessup mines are flooded as well as the Grassy Island mine of the Delaware and Hudson company. The Dolph Coal company has sustained heavy losses. A large trestle at the breaker

was undermined by rushing waters and the trestle collapsed.

At Winton the tracks of the Delaware and Hudson were washed out and debris piled high upon the track, effectually blocking all traffic for nearly twelve hours. One track was cleared so that trains were able to pass over. Just north of Winton a more serious washout occurred. About three-quarters of a mile south of Archbold station is a drift. Back on the mountain is a large reservoir. This gave way, letting the water flow into the mine at another opening on the mountain. The water found its way to the mouth of the drift and poured in a huge volume and swept away part of the road-bed.

A work train and a large force of men worked night and day since Saturday morning and it was not until last evening that the tracks were placed in a passable condition.

**HIS FAREWELL SERMON.**

Rev. W. J. Ford, of Green Ridge Baptist Church, preached for the Last Time Yesterday.

Rev. William J. Ford, who has been pastor of the Green Ridge Baptist church for the past nine years and a half, and who has recently accepted a call to the pastorate of the First Baptist church at Jamestown, N. Y., preached his farewell sermon yesterday morning, and bade good-bye to the flock which he has cared for since he entered the ministry.

The church was crowded to the doors with members of the congregation and other residents of Green Ridge, who cherish dearly the friendship of the departing clergyman. The latter was deeply moved by the parting, and his voice almost failed him several times. He chose for his text, II Corinthians, 13:2: "Finally, brethren, farewell. Be perfect, be of good comfort, be of one mind, live in peace; and the God of love and peace shall be with you." He said:

"I shall never cease to be grateful that my pastorate in the ministry should have been among so patient and considerate a people. The mistakes, which in spite of the best intentions are characteristic of inexperience you have kindly overlooked. We think of an influence which a pastor has upon the formation of the ideals of a church but we often forget that the churches are training ministers and the people among whom a man's lot is cast, especially during the formative years of his ministerial character, and in their power to make or mar his entire future.

While there has been a complete absence of unkind criticism your standard has been high and the knowledge that you expected your pastor to do his best, and that you could appreciate his highest efforts has always served as an incentive. The attempt to meet the reasonable demand has made the closest study necessary and with mature years there shall come any measure of success in the Master's kingdom your share in the preparation for it must receive large recognition.

At this point, Rev. Mr. Ford traced the growth of the congregation and the pastorate, 378 new members having been received during that time. He had kind words for the help and assistance given by the deacons and trustees of the church and for untiring labors of the Sunday school workers as well as the members of the Young People's society. Continuing he said:

"What of the future? This church can part with its pastor without serious loss but it cannot part with the spirit of consecration, with the unselfish devotion of its members, with the willingness to sacrifice personal preference for the general good that has been the secret in the past. You are face to face with the crisis. The pastorate has been shared by many different states and from several nationalities. You have different ideals of what a pastor ought to be. You cannot all be satisfied. Yet we plead with you in the name of our common Master and in behalf of the church for which we have sacrificed that you permit no divisions to occur.

If I leave a friend my last request of you is 'stand by the church.' Finally, brethren, farewell. Be perfect, be of good comfort, be of one mind, live in peace and the God of love and peace shall be with you.

At night Rev. Mr. Ford preached a sermon to the members of Green Ridge lodge of Odd Fellows, of which he is a member. He told the story of God's wonderful love and said a few words of farewell. Both he and his wife will

be tendered a farewell reception tomorrow night in the church. They leave for Jamestown the end of the week. The congregation have the names of several clergymen under consideration but have not decided to extend a call as yet.

**SERMON OF REV. DR. MINTON.**

Discussed by Pastor of All Souls' Universalist Church.

Talking for his text, "If any man will do his will, he shall know of the doctrine, whether it be of God or whether I speak for myself." Rev. Thomas B. Payne, at All Souls' Universalist church, Sunday morning reviewed Dr. Minton's sermon to the Presbyterians of our city a week ago, and asked the question, "Is Dr. Minton a convert to Universalism or don't know it?"

After discussing Dr. Minton's sermon in outline and jelling of his position in the Presbyterian church, Mr. Payne said:

"The vital point in his entire discourse, the center and heart of it all, as it seems to me, came at the close when he declared with passionate enthusiasm, amounting to inspiration, 'the blood great problem confronting the church is the redemption of man and the redemption of the world to be no great task for the incarnate God, I believe that if it is too hard for God to save one soul that no soul can be saved. Is not the Lord Christ infinite? He created the sin of all sin in the measuring of humanity and the doubting of God's power to save unto the uttermost.'

This is truly a remarkable declaration, an unlooked for expression of faith in God's ability finally to bring all his children to know, love and serve him. Such sunny long ago began to show itself in the Congregational church, the Unitarian church, the Episcopal church, but we had not looked for it so soon in high places in the Presbyterian church, that why not? Dr. Minton is a scholar, a student, a man of common sense, of faith, of works. He has been brought up in the Westminster confession, little by little it has dawned upon him that, commended to love mercy, do not justly, forgive injuries, keep faith, punish in mercy to correct, seek others rather than self, if he is commended to these things, God also who commands him must do these things. In other words, unconditionally, he has grown away from the teachings of the old 'confession,' into a more reasonable, moral and Biblical belief.

**CRUSADE CALLED OFF.**

Police Not Sure of Their Right to Shoot Dogs.

The crusade against unmuzzled dogs, begun by the police last week, has been temporarily suspended, pending a little research into the law.

The owners of some of the dogs shot last week have seriously questioned the right of the police to dispose of unmuzzled dogs in this manner, contending that the police have power only to control the dogs in a pound and notify their owners to take them away, on payment of a fine, before they can kill them.

This has led the authorities to investigate the question, and pending this investigation there will be no more dogs shot.

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Mrs. S. C. Geron and Miss Dorothy Geron are at Old Point Comfort.

Judson B. Wobley is home from a duck shooting expedition to Virginia Beach.

Frank J. Leonard, of Philadelphia, is visiting at his father's home in this city.

Frank N. Hughes, who has been for a number of years connected with the Dan Mercantile agency in this city, leaves today to accept a position with the same company in Boston.

**ROBERT EMMET ANNIVERSARY.**

Fittingly Celebrated by the John Mitchell Club.

As its wont, last night, the John Mitchell club, each year, at St. Thomas' College hall, celebrate the anniversary of the birth of Robert Emmet, the young Protestant Irish patriot who gave his life for Erin's cause.

A succession of disappointments in efforts to secure an orator detracted some from the success of the event, but the excellence of the appropriate vocal and instrumental numbers made up for this in no small measure.

The programme consisted of piano and vocal solos by Miss Susan Burns, vocal solos by Mrs. M. J. Leonard, Professor William A. Kelly, Sidney Hughes and Miss Loretta Fahney, and instrumental numbers by Professor Marion. The accompanists were Mrs. W. A. Kelly, Miss Mary Johnson and Miss Mary Sullivan.

C. T. Boland, president of the Mitchell club, who was chairman of the evening, made an interesting address appropriate to the occasion. Despite the inclemency of the weather the attendance was large.

Don't forget to secure reserved seats for the McLeod-Marks wrestling match, Bicycle club house.

**A LARGE SALARY.**

Scranton Business College.

A Scranton Business College graduate, a young man only twenty years old, is drawing a salary of \$70 per week in New York city. He attributes his success solely to the training he received at the Scranton Business College and to close application on his part. Many B. C. students are drawing large salaries in New York, Philadelphia and Buffalo.

Daniel McLeod and Frank Marks will wrestle at the Scranton Bicycle club tomorrow evening.