

SANITATION MEASURES NECESSARY**COMMUNICATION IS PROBLEM**

With water in the Republican rapidly returning to a normal level, McCook now faces two important reconstruction problems; namely, COMMUNICATION and SANITATION. In connection with the first, McCook now has contact with the outside via phone. The company has done an excellent job in establishing connections. A drag line was taken from the 6th street viaduct job to the Willow early Monday morning. Rail communication is, of course, out of the question for a long time. People by diverse routes have been getting to McCook from the west, and at least one party got thru to Cambridge. Several parties left Sunday for their homes by the way of North Platte.

The sanitation problem, however, is a serious matter. The dead animals are a menace and must be disposed of with the utmost speed. Sewer sanitation is another problem which is causing the city committee considerable anxiety, and McCook citizens are asked to cooperate to the fullest extent. Furthermore, it is imperative that all drinking water be boiled. You are only safeguarding your own health and that of others by doing this.

Light and water authorities are working night and day to bring these two necessities back to the city. You may be assured that everything is being done to see that you get them as soon as possible.

The rain which started falling late Sunday afternoon, causing a pall of gloom to settle over the entire section, evidently did but little damage. The river failed to recede for about an hour and a half during and immediately following the rain, but there were no definite reports other than that. There was also an unconfirmed report that a tornado had struck south of here in the vicinity of St. Francis, Kans. The reports of the flood conditions in the Platte seems to be relatively unfounded. In a telephone conversation with Kearney early this morning The Tribune learned that the Platte was heavy with water, but was causing little or no concern.

There have been many acts of heroism in connection with the flood and tornado. People knowing of such cases are asked to communicate with The Tribune so that we might give credit, where it is rightfully due.

National guards, now stationed at Alma under the command of Major Guy Henninger of Kearney, will probably be moved thruout the entire flood and tornado area today, according to word received here. Asa Wolfe, county Red Cross chairman said that he understands that Lieut. Gov. Jurgensen has declared martial law thruout the entire district. The distribution of the guard unit is not known as yet.

Incidentally as long as credit is being given out, it seems as tho the ex-service men and the local police should come in for their share of it. All of the boys have worked night and day since the flood, and are still on the job. Credit is due Sheriff Trosper, Deputy Henton, Chief Dutcher and Officers Meissner and Harris, and all members of the American Legion and Veterans of Foreign Wars. And this is only mentioning a short share of the individuals and organizations that have cooperated.

BULLETIN

Schedule for Western Union Message Planes Between McCook and North Platte—Lv. North Platte 6 a. m., 12 noon, 5 p. m.; Lv. McCook 10 a. m., 2 p. m., 7 p. m:

CASUALTY LIST

The casualty list for McCook and immediate vicinity has now grown to nine, with one man and three children still unaccounted for. On the other hand, reports from the south side of the river so far as Walter Esch's place indicate that the fifteen families in this district are all safely accounted for. Food will be delivered to the Gillette place by plane this morning. Reports from Alma and Holbrook remain scattered. At 4 a. m. Franz Zander was reported to be holding his own. The casualty list:

Red Willow County—Dead—Mrs. Chas. Miller, Jr., and 4 year old daughter; Fred Swanson, G. C. Bell, Elizabeth Shook, Cashen child; and Mrs. Franz Zander and two children.

Missing—Macabee, an employee of G. C. Bell; three Charles Miller, Jr., children.

Injured—Susan Dingus, Yorna Dingus, Martin Peterson, Franz Zander, Mrs. Claude Spaulding, Ella Florence, and Gladys Rathe, Thos., Wallace, Lena, Eileen and Orville Polfus, Walter Modrell, Joe Ward, Louis Dulany, Harold Steinke, Lawrence Gillen, Mrs. Ben Doyle.

Hitchcock County—Dead—Mrs. Stonesiferter, Trenton.

Missing—Mr. and Mrs. Wallace and 4 children, Culbertson; Mr. and Mrs. O. T. Murtha, Sr., Trenton; Mr. and Mrs. John Thomas, Trenton; Mr. and Mrs. Spencer Thomas and son, Trenton; Mr. and Mrs. Howard Smith and baby, Trenton; two children of Mrs. Stonesiferter.

Injured—Con Schaffer, Lester Hayes, both of Culbertson.

Frontier County—Dead—Mrs. John Schmidt, Curtis.

Injured—Carl Grous, Mrs. Niel Nielson, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Smith, Jack Hevlin, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Burton, J. Schmidt and child, all of Curtis.

Furnas County—Dead—Mr. Bragg. Injured—Mrs. Bragg.

Dundy County—Dead—Daughter of Archie Burg, Parks; Pettit family of 8, Doane.

In an emergency broadcast from the telephone building, the Columbia Broadcasting system carried the news of McCook's flood and tornado situation to the entire country in a thirty minute broadcast Sunday night from 10:30 to 11:00. Speaking were: Lynn Williamson, Asa Wolfe, Dr. J. M. Willis, Dr. G. L. Montgomery, Mr and Mrs. Middleton, Clyde McKillip, N. C. Neilson, Chas. Miller, Mayor M. Lawritson, Sen. W. C. Bullard, Allen Foster, Frank Malone, James Jacquet, Chas. Warriner, jr., Frank Hamilton, and Harry Strunk.

John Welsh, FERA coordinator for this district together with Avery Batson, FERA official from Lincoln returned to McCook Sunday after a two day survey of the stricken areas west of McCook. Welsh reported that Trenton was not as badly damaged as had been previously reported. However, all buildings south of the track had been flooded and the water had reached main street. The entire valley is desolated. Parks is known to have been completely flooded. Mr. Pringle, a prominent rancher near there is reliably reported to have lost 1,000 head of hogs.

Cambridge has reported that six or seven families are stranded on the south side of the river. They asked for a plane to be sent there.

Reports late Sunday evening from Cambridge say that practically the entire town was covered with water. At the B. F. Butler home the basement was filled with water and there was about 14 inches of mud in the first floor of the house.

Geo. Sayer, pioneer, was missing. He was seen to disappear in the water and has not been found. The one year old child of Mr. and Mrs. Truman Mosley is also missing.

Two hundred men working in three 8-hour shifts are attacking the debris and wreckage that swept into the light plant to a depth of nine feet. Early Monday morning men had succeeded in getting the old building cleaned out and work on the motors was going forward rapidly. Should their efforts be successful, it is probable that one engine will be running today.

Thirteen transients were quartered Sunday night at the Congress hotel.