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**FLOOD DAMAGE IS SERIOUS  
IN THE UPPER PROVINCES  
LOSS OF LIFE IS REPORTED**

Montreal, April 10—While cold weather relieved the flood menace in Central Canada reports from northern Maine indicated flood conditions were worse there.

Michigan, hard hit by floods yesterday, reported relief tonight.

From Fort Fairfield, Maine, it was reported the floods along the Aroostook River had caused indefinite suspension of service on the Aroostook branch of the C. P. R.

Reports received from Boston, Mass., indicated that many rivers remained at abnormal heights throughout Northern Maine, while in Vermont train service was disrupted by washouts. Service between St. Johnsbury and Burlington was suspended when two bridges went out near Cambridge Junction.

Reports from all points in Ontario and Quebec revealed a better situation owing to cold weather. A double fatality was reported from Northbay, Ont., where a farmer, W. Rutherford, drove his team of horses into flood waters of a creek in an attempt to find the bridge. His son, aged 6, was swept from the seat of the buggy. The father rescued him, but at the same time saw his wife and 11-months-old baby swept to their deaths.

Parry Sound was apprehensive tonight because of the breaking of a dam on the Sequin River. The power plant was out of commission and gangs of men were working to keep the water from sweeping toward the town. Sault Ste. Marie, Northbay, Lindsay, Orillia and Gravenhurst, threatened by floods yesterday, were out of danger today.

Cold weather prevailed throughout Quebec province tonight and was credited with preventing further rise in many rivers.

The eastern Townships, hardest hit by the floods, were counting the damage tonight while water levels were becoming lower hourly. Some suburbs of Montreal were still in the grip of the floods caused by the overflow of the St. Lawrence River behind a huge ice jam—but conditions were improving. Boats were used today to

take residents from their homes, some of which were flooded above the first doors.

With the recovery of the bodies of the two men killed when a passenger train went through a bridge at Drummondville, Que., yesterday, the death toll from the flood stood at four.

Quebec, April 9—The bodies of the two victims of the train wreck at Drummondville last night were recovered today. The body of Joseph Ribin, baggageman was recovered from the partially submerged baggage car this morning and at 5 p. m. the body of Raoul Thirverge, express messenger, was taken from the car. Ribin was a former resident of Bienville, Que., near Levis, where he had been councillor and mayor. He was 51 years of age and is survived by a widow and eight children. Thirverge is survived by a wife and child. He was 32 years of age and a resident of Quebec.

North Bay, Ont., April 9—Mrs. W. Rutherford, wife of a North Himsforth Township farmer, and her 11-months-old son, Billy, were drowned on Sunday afternoon, in the swollen, raging waters of Bear Creek. The scene of the double fatality is about 23 miles southwest of North Bay.

The woman and child were swept into the creek, while the father was engaged in rescuing his son, Russell, six years old, who had been swept out of the rear end of a light delivery buggy, when the father drove his team into the river approaching a bridge.

Rutherford made two unsuccessful attempts to rescue his wife, who drowned courageously holding her child above her head, in a vain effort to save the babe. A few seconds prior to the party's approach to the bridge a vicious gale swept down from the north and in a few minutes it had developed almost cyclonic proportions. The skies became black as night. Rutherford was still struggling to reach his wife as the water silenced the plaintive cries of the infant.

Ordinarily Bear Creek is just a few yards wide, but recent thaws swelled it until it became a raging torrent, in some places hundreds of yards wide.

**MUCH DAMAGE  
FROM FLOODS  
IN ARKANSAS**

Little Rock, Ark., April 6—Forecast of fair and colder weather offered Kansas some hope that her numerous rivers, rising steadily to the danger point, would recede before material damage was affected.

The White River was flooding in its upper branches and the Arkansas was nearing flood stages while turbulent tributaries of both streams were out of their banks and doing damage in scattered sections.

Barring further rains, the Arkansas will not reach flood stages at any point, weather officials said, but the river had already risen to dangerous heights and caused considerable damage.

The White River, which rises rapidly in its upper reaches and falls the same way, has risen 5.5 feet as far south at Newport, behind the only major levee in Arkansas to withstand last spring's floods. At Batesville the river has risen 18 feet and was 4.5 feet above flood stage. The river was also above flood stage at Calico Rock, having risen 16.9 feet.

None of the towns had been damaged, but farm lands along the White River was inundated.

Death today of Mrs. Mary Payne at Lincoln brought the northwest Arkansas tornado dead to three. Relief work was being pushed by the Red Cross and a survey to determine needs of the residents was under way.

**Had Serious Mishap**

Caught between a moving engine and the wall of the roundhouse in South Devon, Harry A. Fradsham, machinist, sustained a broken collar bone and other severe injuries before he could be extricated. The accident occurred between the hours of two and three o'clock at the roundhouse in South Devon and as soon as the injured man could be relieved, he was taken to his home where medical attention was immediately given. It was found that Mr. Fradsham's collar bone was broken and an x-ray will probably be taken to determine if any further injuries have been sustained in the accident. Mr. Fradsham's condition this afternoon is not too promising and he is feeling quite severely the effects of his experience.

**Guests at the Windsor.**

The following are registered at the Windsor today: C. H. Seveigney, S. Hood, Toronto; W. E. Back, Brownville Jct.; B. Abner, Montreal; R. T. Bennett, M. J. Buckley, H. C. Schoolbred, H. W. Redstone, G. W. Wilson, St. John; Babe Forbes, St. Stephen; A. H. Daigle, Augusta, Me.; S. A. Butland, H. S. Estabrooks, R. H. Gillmor, St. John; G. B. Johnston, Ottawa; R. W. Watson, St. John; J. E. Quinn, Centreville; Mrs. A. L. Hoben, Keswick; W. P. Downing, Windsor; W. R. Fawcett, Pinder; E. White, Campbellton; Mrs. H. H. Smith, Hoyt; A. M. Dann, Hampton, N. B.; W. L. Graeg, Montreal; Geo. H. Perkins, Toronto.

Seagreba, Jugo Slavia, April 10—Fourteen members of a bandit gang have been brought to trial here, charged with 29 murders and 23 robberies without murder.

**HIGHWAYS CLOSED TO MOTOR VEHICLE TRAFFIC.**

Public notice is hereby given that all highways in the Central, Southern and Eastern Counties of New Brunswick are closed to all Motor Vehicle Traffic until further notice under provisions of the Highway Act for protection of the Roads during the Spring Season.

Warning is also given no vehicle carrying a load weighing more than 3,000 pounds, no portable mill on wheels, no log hauler tractor shall be operated on the highways from this date until public notice is given that the roads are open to all traffic.

Traffic Officers and Provincial Police have been instructed to apprehend all violators.

Public notice will be given when the restrictions are lifted.

Fredericton, N. B.  
April, 7, 1928.

**B. H. KINGHORN,**  
Chief Highway Engineer.

**THE HOSPITAL  
TRUSTEES HELD  
A MEETING**

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**A Dental Clinic.**

The Mayor from the committee reported that the dental committee will very soon be ready to establish a clinic at Victoria Public Hospital in accordance with an agreement with this Board. It has been decided that all applicants for treatment must produce a permit from the school trustees of the city, from outside of Fredericton applicants must present a permit from the Trustees of the district from which the applicant attends school.

Miss Murray, superintendent, submitted her report for the month of March which shows that one hundred and fourteen patients were treated during the month. Number of medical cases admitted 14; surgical cases 39; obstetrical 8; births 8. Major operations 19; minor 14. Ex-Ray exams 45; treatments 5. No. patients in one day, maximum 49; minimum 32.

**Good Months' Work.**

The superintendent expressed satisfaction as a result of the months' work, although handicapped by three of the nurses having diphtheria it was necessary to carefully plan the work of the others. She reports the main subject engrossing attention at present is maturing plans for the annual public graduating exercises which are booked for Wednesday afternoon of next week, in the Cathedral Memorial Hall. It was remarked by some one that all the trustees do not always attend this annual event, and this fact probably prompted Miss Murray to send the president and the entire membership a special invitation to attend this year and also to bring their wives with them.

The report of Miss Hunter, Clerk, was also received and this furnishes in detail the monthly receipts and expenditures it is always illuminating. Col. Loggie, chairman of the finance committee was able to present an excellent report of the finances generally and also to exhibit a small balance on the right side of the ledger.

His Worship the Mayor who was hospital visitor last month, was able to make a very satisfactory report of conditions at the Institution. He also made several recommendations all of which were ordered to be carried out.

**Spoke on "Easter"**

At the weekly Rotary luncheon held this afternoon Rev. A. F. Bate gave a very interesting discourse on "Easter" which was listened to by a large attendance of members. The regular business was transacted during the course of the meeting.

**CITY OF FREDERICTON****NOTICE**

Citizens are requested, if possible, not to use the City Dump at the present period of high water, as the river level has very much restricted the dumping area.

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**THE FLOOD  
SITUATION HAS  
IMPROVED**

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Mails Held Up.

The train service on the Canada Eastern branch and Valley Railway having been interrupted no mails for points along the lines have been sent out from here this week. Mails for points north of Newcastle go out via St. John and the Southampton mail went out today by the Otis train.

**Lines All Repaired.**

The service of the N. B. Telephone Company which was interrupted by the freshet has been restored. The line up the valley on the western side of the river was reopened for business at 11 o'clock this morning, the damages occasioned by the three bridges going out at Kingsclear having been repaired. Repairs to the line at Nashwaak Village and vicinity have also been completed.

**Logs Go Adrift.**

It is reported today that many farmers along the river above the city have suffered the loss of bank logs which had been browed in readiness for rafting. Claude McDonald and Gordon A. Grant of this city have sixty cords of pulpwood at Long's Creek in danger of being lost. It was piled near the railway siding ready for shipment but the rush of water carried it into the Creek. Messrs. McDonald and Grant have a quantity of logs in McIntosh's Creek at Kingsclear but at last accounts they were reported safe.

Practically all of the islands in the river above the city are under water, and it is reported that a number of barns have been destroyed by the ice.

Even though it is not an absolute necessity, the five-day week would give us an extra day in which to spend our money.