

# THOUSANDS FLEE CITY

## Norwood Bridge In Pincers Fight

### Evacuation Of Valley Forced To Halt

Canadian National railways' fight to evacuate the Red river valley ended Thursday. The decision went to the flood.

It was one of many that went the same way as R.C.M.P. patrol boats maintained almost lone vigilance over the 500 square miles of flooded Manitoba where water levels rose hourly.

More than 10 towns had been isolated and deserted. Communications were wiped out entirely for many villages.

Desolation was the keyword. For 72 hours the railway had run its trains, for the most part, through six inches of water covering the steel. It had warned flood headquarters the evacuation operation would be on an hour-to-hour basis. The last train came early Thursday.

Since May 4 more than 2,000 persons had been taken from their flooded homes by Canadian National "evacuation specials." They hauled 100 cars of livestock under rapidly worsening conditions as the flood crested north. It had been a night and day effort for 21 days. The last train ran into a wash-out less than seven miles from Winnipeg Thursday morning.

Spotted on a spur track which

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### Rivers Threaten 'Short Cut' Move

**BULLETIN:** Truck traffic over Norwood bridge was stopped at 2 p.m. because water seeping through a weak spot of the dike at the north-west side, reached a level on Main street deep enough to swamp vehicle engines. Officials in charge of the diking expected the bridge would be impassable for at least two hours.

Army and civilian flood fighters at noon Thursday were battling to keep the Red and Assiniboine rivers from joining at Norwood bridge.

If the two flood-swollen rivers should join at this point, one of the main links for emergency vehicles to St. Boniface and Norwood would be cut.

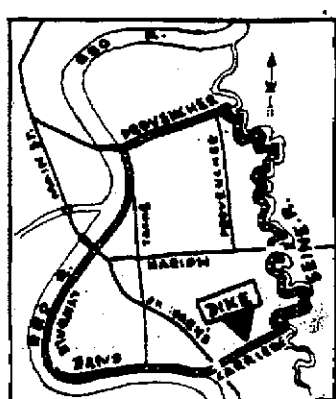
Convoys of trucks carrying flood workers, material and food supplies were still being towed through the low spot at River and Main at 2 p.m.

Diking is being carried out along Mayfair street and parallel to Main street between the two rivers in an effort to keep the road open. Water is now up to headlights on the highest trucks going through.

Water level at the James avenue pumping station at 1 p.m. Thursday was 29.5 feet above datum a rise of .4 feet in 24 hours.

One of the city's last major defences, the three-quarter-mile-long East Kildonan dike, was breached at 8:30 p.m. Wednesday, inundating another large section of the metropolitan area. No one was injured.

**One Huge Rampart**  
Most of the city of St. Boniface and all of Norwood Wednesday was behind a huge dike surrounding the whole area (see map).



Two openings have been left in this rampart to let evacuees out of the Norwood and St. Vital areas. One is on Marion street and the other is Marion street bridge over the Seine river. This bridge has been restored. A new span was built over the inundated original.

Early Thursday morning a break

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## City Winning Fight To Maintain Power

The city was making headway Thursday in its fight to protect chief public utilities from flood danger.

W. D. Hurst, city engineer and chairman of the city's flood control committee, described the power situation as "much improved."

"We are certain in much better shape than we were 72 hours ago. That much we can say. We don't want to become too optimistic about things, however." Mr. Hurst told the flood control committee.

Three top-priority jobs were almost completed, the committee learned. They included:

The flood-protective road to the Rover avenue power substation, surrounded by river waters.

The construction of a supply route to the Mill street substation of the Winnipeg Electric company.

Protection of the Winnipeg Electric gas plant at Rover avenue and Sutherland street.

A. J. Taunton, deputy city engineer, reported that work crews were now busy again on the approach to the Provencher bridge. He said the approach could be finished by Saturday morning.

Crews and equipment had been ordered off construction of the 1,000-foot approach until defence of the power substations was completed.

J. W. Sanger, city hydro manager, reported that the amount of power being used was down only 10 per cent. from normal.

"This decrease indicates that the majority of power services are continuing satisfactorily. It also indicates that a fairly large number of citizens have evacuated," he said.

E. V. Caton, chief engineer for the Winnipeg Electric company, asked that the public be assured there is no shortage of power.

Mr. Caton also said he had received orders to disconnect power in the whole of St. Vital, but that radio stations were still being served.

The flood control committee authorized Mr. Sanger to caution building superintendents to inform the utilities when abandoning buildings.

### Small Talk



Well, I dunno . . . It's pretty close.

### Labor Group To Allocate City Workers

A civilian labor control organization has been set up by flood control headquarters to co-ordinate the available supply of voluntary civilian workers. It was announced Thursday by Brig. R. E. A. Morton, director of flood relief.

The city has been divided into areas and the new organization will allocate the civilian workers to each area, according to the number of men available and the need of each district.

Purpose of the new move is to prevent confusion which resulted in civilians applying directly to many different projects. It is designed to ensure that workers are employed where their services can best be used.

Civilian labor control centres have been established as follows:

Crescentwood community club, phone 43 445, in the south-west section;

St. James municipal hall, phone 62 375, in the west section;

Ralph Brown school, phone 595 954, in the north end.

Volunteer workers in the municipalities of Fort Garry, St. Vital, Norwood, St. Boniface, Elmwood and East Kildonan are asked to

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### Coulter Decries Rumors Of City Typhoid Epidemic

City water supplies are "completely normal" and free from pollution, Mayor Garnet Coulter announced Thursday.

Decrying "rumors" of a typhoid epidemic, Mayor Coulter declared that no single case of typhoid fever has occurred since the beginning of the year in Greater Winnipeg.

The mayor, on behalf of army, provincial and city health authorities, gave "most positive assurance" that mass inoculation against typhoid fever is not being contemplated in any degree whatsoever.

Flood control headquarters said Thursday no outbreak of typhoid fever is likely to result from the Manitoba floods. One suspected case of typhoid has been reported in Winnipeg involving a 14-year-old, army medical officers told newspapermen at a press conference. However they stressed that



Twins Valerie and Ronnie Wharton, with brother Mike behind, look pleased at the prospect of a beach holiday as they wait for the Canadian Pacific evacuation special to Winnipeg Beach to pull out. Accompanying them is their mother, Mrs. W. Wharton. At top are some of the flood evacuees who left Winnipeg for other points.

### Evacuees' Beach Train Lacks 'Holiday Spirit'

In spite of the predominant presence of women and children, paper bags and bundles, the Winnipeg Beach special which pulled out of the Canadian Pacific station, Thursday morning, had little in common with a normal beach train.

There was no holiday spirit abroad. The scene was reminiscent of war-time mobilization.

Approximately 100 people, mostly mothers with young children, occupied three of the 10 coaches that had been set aside for the first voluntary evacuation train to points along the Riverton line.

The special will run again Friday and Saturday, leaving the Canadian Pacific station at 9:30 a.m. daylight saving time.

"We are going for the children's sake," was the unanimous feeling. Few of the passengers were flood refugees proper. "I wasn't flooded out, but I'm going for the sake of my five week old baby," reported Mrs. S. Steedman.

G. Burnett, one of the male minority, had been evacuated from the

King Edward hospital at 4:30 a.m. Saturday. "I feel it's safer for everyone out of the city," he commented.

Glad To Leave  
Headed for Gimli with her two children and mother, Mrs. J. Adelman was glad to get out of a house contaminated with four feet of sewer water.

A father down to wave good-bye to his wife and three children said, "I'll miss them, but it's for the best as long as there is danger of a power cut."

"This is no holiday — it's an awful experience," was the comment of one young mother.

On the next track, another evacuation train was loaded with patients from Winnipeg nursing homes. Directed by the army, some 50 stretcher cases were put into box cars. Wearing name and destination tags, about 50 walking cases, most of them elderly people, were

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## Mass Evacuation Plans Prepared

Thousands upon thousands of evacuees left the Greater Winnipeg flood area Thursday. They left by train, bus, plane and private car. No exact estimate of the numbers was available — the movement in and out of the city was too heavy to tabulate. One unofficial source, however, estimated that 30,000 will have left by Friday.

### Assiniboine Routes Citizens Along Roslyn

The Assiniboine river really began to assert itself Thursday, when rising waters drove from their homes almost all residents on the river side of Roslyn road east of Osborne street.

The exodus, initiated Wednesday by the evacuation of aged persons from a nursing home, had by Thursday noon affected about 200 persons.

Army personnel are laboring behind the home to strengthen a dike holding back five feet of water. Two soldiers were attempting to bail out with large tin cans a pool that had formed between the dike and building.

Residents on Roslyn crescent are preparing for evacuation. "There is no use my building a dike," said one. "If the river rises any higher we will just have to leave everything and get out."

Triple-layered sandbag dikes on Wellington crescent at the foot of Maryland bridge were still holding, at noon Thursday.

Troops and other workers in the area had early Thursday morning switched their labors to buttressing the dike protecting the Shriners hospital for crippled children against water from the rapidly rising Assiniboine river.

**Dike Workers Piped**  
A pipe of the Queen's Own Cameron Highlanders, Wednesday marched up and down behind the dike-workers as they piled sandbags on Wellington crescent.

Thursday, all dikes on water-ravaged streets along the Assiniboine river were holding. Water from backed-up sewers made takes out of large areas on Palmerston avenue between Canora and Arlington streets and transformed streets into canals.

Broadway between Colony and Osborne was in much the same condition. Water continued to rise along Whitehall avenue and many homes are standing in water.

Meanwhile, the fight to keep open Maryland and St. James street bridges is being won. There appears to be no immediate danger of the latter becoming much affected by the flood.

By Thursday noon, a large pool of water had formed at the foot of Osborne street bridge on the south side. Persons living in the vicinity are afraid that it soon may become impassable.

### CLUBS DELAY ENTRY DATE

Entry date for sports in the Associated Community Clubs Sports league has been postponed until further notice.

### Thousands Come In As thousands streamed out of

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## Navy Goes To Rescue Of Stranded Train

The Royal Canadian navy stepped in Thursday to complete the amphibious evacuation of 550 men, women and children from a Canadian National train, stranded since early Wednesday outside St. Norbert.

Reported aboard were several sick children and adults, including one stretcher case. The sick were removed first, by army duck, and taken to a relief train stopped at McGillivray boulevard.

Word came in to flood relief headquarters Wednesday that the train, carrying refugees from Morris, Ste. Agathe, St. Adolphe and Glenora, was stranded. Tracks were awash all along the line.

The train, carrying some passengers who had begun the trip to safety Sunday, proceeded at a snail's pace, arriving at Portage Junction, after risking countless washed-out sections on the line heading into Winnipeg.

The rescuing army duck, captained by Sub. Lt. Edgar Wilson and driven by two army men from Camp Borden and Camp Shilo rushed to the scene, after maintaining radio communications with the train all morning.

Red Cross officials and two nurses quickly placed one coach under quarantine. Several children were reported to have scarlet fever and mumps.

The passengers were short of food during the trip, but relief was brought by boat

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### Stockyards Announces Embargo On Livestock

Effective immediately, an embargo is placed against livestock consigned to or in care of the Union stockyards, St. Boniface, the stockyards has announced. It will remain in effect until further notice.

Mixed feelings of fatigue, relief and exultation can be seen on the faces of these evacuees from St. Norbert. Their train was stranded time and again on the Canadian National railways track leading into Winnipeg. They are part of 550 persons aboard the train, some of whom were ill.





**IN THE BATTLE** to keep Winnipeg's vital food supply lines operating in various areas of high ground close to stricken districts, one large dairy instituted an emergency milk stockpile (above) on Main street between Pritchard and Manitoba avenues. Hundreds of cases of fresh milk were piled high with ice packing and covered with tarpaulin. Huge trucks bearing "Emergency Milk" placards transported the cases and company trucks were parked in adjacent lots to be ready to start delivery service on schedule Thursday morning.

## Emergency Plans Ready, Says Malone

Precautionary measures are being taken in Winnipeg to deal with any possible worsening of the flood disaster.

At a press conference Thursday, Brig. R. S. Malone, acting chairman of the emergency committee on planning at flood control headquarters, said that plans have been laid concerning what is to be done if parts of the city were cut off, in case an emergency evacuation became imperative, or in case normal services break down.

Committees have been set up to deal with the following services: food, general stores, depots and distribution, police co-ordination, engineers, evacuation, manpower, emergency shelter, medical, communications, trucking, gasoline and oil.

Brig. Malone said that the committee is getting the best possible advice from civilians, and that there has been an outstanding response by civilians on all levels of planning.

The committee is also concerned with the problem of getting people back into their homes, and in what order.

The planning committee is taking stock of food supplies, and the railways are gathering information on just what equipment is available, and how quickly it can be brought to Winnipeg in case an emergency arises. Similar information is being tabulated on other phases of flood relief.

"We are planning for something we hope will not happen, but we want to know exactly what we will do should the situation become worse," said Brig. Malone.

Personnel active at emergency planning headquarters include: deputy director, Brig. W. J. McGill, chief staff officers, Major R. B. MacNeill and Lt.-Col. W. S. Murdoch; intelligence, Capt. F. G. Baxter; Red Cross liaison, H. Everett and legal advisor, S. L. Davies. Staff assistants are Maj. S. B. Laing, Maj. I. C. Robson, Maj. G. W. Graham, Capt. W. J. Landreth and Capt. F. J. Otley.

Committee chairman are J. Laing, food; G. F. Klein, general stores; Maitland Steinkopf, depots and distribution; Inspector H. Harris, protection; Col. E. J. W. Akin, engineers; J. L. Knight, evacuation; R. S. Carey, manpower; S. Price Ratray, emergency shelter; Dr. R. W. Richardson, medical; Maj. W. O. Peffer, communications; D. I. MacDonald, trucking pool, and Harry Barker, gasoline and oil.

### CLUB CANCELS LUNCHEON

Owing to the present emergency, the luncheon meeting of the Winnipeg Sales and Advertising club, scheduled for Monday, has been cancelled.

## Special Flood Headquarters In Ottawa

OTTAWA, May 11 (Special)

The Red river disaster has now led the National Defence department to establish a separate flood control operation room at defence headquarters here.

"Operation Red Ramp" as the co-ordinated efforts of the three armed services is known, is being manned at headquarters on a 24-hour basis under control of Major General H. D. G. Graham. The operation room is handling all incoming and outgoing messages, and will aid in locating supplies needed by the flood fighters, as well as co-ordinating generally national defence headquarters aid to those in the field.

### Eating Time, Flood Style

City taxi services are working all-out to keep cars on the road. The best example of this — heard in a radio cab Thursday — can be seen in a taxi driver's conversation with a dispatcher — can I take five for lunch now? "Dispatcher to car driver: You ate yesterday, didn't you?"

## Traffic Arteries

### Bridges

**REPORT AT 8 A.M. THURSDAY**  
ELM PARK—closed and condemned.  
NORWOOD—trucks being towed, three and a half to four feet of water.  
PROVENCHE—closed; gravel being laid.  
LOUISE—open to trucks and emergency vehicles.  
REDWOOD—open and above water.  
MARYLAND—open to all vehicles.  
OSBORNE—open to all vehicles.  
MAIN STREET—open to all vehicles (flood emergency only).  
SEINE-MARION—open to emergency and evacuee vehicles.  
SEINE-PROVENCHE—closed.

### Subways

**REPORT AT 8 A.M. THURSDAY**  
ST. JAMES—open to trucks and emergency vehicles.  
ST. PHILLIPS—closed.  
MAIN-HIGGINS—passable to all vehicles; drive slowly.  
ANNABELLA—passable to trucks and emergency vehicles.  
HIGGINS-LOUISE—passable to trucks only.  
BERGEN OUT-OFF—passable to all vehicles.  
OSBORNE—closed; detours possible.  
PEMBINA—open to all vehicles.  
SHERBROOK—closed and barricaded.  
ARLINGTON (William)—passable, drying slowly.  
TECUMSEH—open.  
MIDLAND-ROSS—open.  
ELGIN—open.

### Streets And Avenues

**REPORT AT 8 A.M. THURSDAY**  
HARKNESS—between River avenue and Priscilla, trucks only.  
RIVER—closed east of Harkness.  
MAYFAIR—open to emergency vehicles.  
BELI—closed from Main to Priscilla.  
EASTGATE—under one and a half to two feet of water.  
MIDDLEGATE—under one and a half to two feet of water.  
ST. CROIX—open from Polson to Cathedral only.  
BROADWAY—closed from Osborne to Colony.  
WHITEHALL—closed from Osborne to Balmoral Place.  
WOLSELEY—closed from Raglan to Newman; Canora to Arlington under one and a half to two feet of water.  
ASSINBOINE—from Fort to Kennedy under one and a half to two feet of water.  
SUTHERLAND—closed from Annabella to Higgins.  
BALMORAL PLACE—flooded, buses going north on Spence.  
ARCHIBALD (St. Boniface)—open.  
All streets north of Sutherland are flooded or partly flooded.



Carried to safety by an amphibious 'duck' Wednesday night were Jack Wentworth, 22, and George Morrow, 24. The men were helping East Kildonan residents evacuate when the dike broke. Rapidly rising waters forced rescue by the naval emergency rescue craft.



A dramatic 24-hour-a-day battle to keep the Red river away from hundreds of Norwood homes enclosed in the "U"-shaped dike around Lyndale drive has assumed proportions of a gigantic construction project. The dike is now so big that bulldozers (top picture) drive along its top. Water level is now almost even with second floors of some of the houses in low spots (above). Twenty-four houses and the old Norwood golf course clubhouse are incorporated in the dike on the north side. A bulldozer (right) piles up earth between two of the homes to strengthen the barrier. Although at these houses you can stand in the back doorway and put your foot in the Red river, most of the basements Wednesday were still dry or had been filled with clean water to equalize pressure. Some people were still living in one or two of these houses until Wednesday afternoon, despite the fact that water only a few feet away behind sandbags, was up over the sill level of their first floor windows.

## And This Is How It Is As Water Cracks Dike

BY FRED EDGE

You are standing within shouting distance of the East Kildonan dike.

All around you, water is running through back alleys and visibly sinking roads to two, three, four—now it's five inches deep.

On the sidewalks the remnants of the Kildonan dike crew — some 500 men, women and children — are streaming back to high ground, just ahead of the rising water.

Their spirit is good. Most are laughing and talking as they hurry along. Some look a little scared.

Fifty feet away, volunteer workers are kicking in basement windows to ease water pressure on foundations.

Now the water is pouring into the street like overflow from a rain barrel.

A few hundred yards away — at the main dike itself — a handful of men are lying face down, hands clasped, passing sandbags to the 50-foot breach.

As each sandbag is flung into the gap it's thrown some 40 feet by the churning water.

The men give up just as a naval rescue squad motorcade roars down Leighton avenue to the water's edge. In front is a police cruiser, its public address system booming a "keep clear" warning for the four amphibious "ducks" behind.

It has taken them just 15 minutes since word reached central flood headquarters of the dike's collapse.

The first "duck" lumbers into the water and "walks" into the newly-submerged area—now lying under three feet of water.

Hundreds of people — most of them dike worker refugees — line the water's edge and watch the "duck" make its trip into the area. Is anyone left behind?

Rumor has it a man is asleep in his home. A dike worker says three men were last seen rushing to cut boats loose and haven't been seen since.

A woman pushes her way to the radio contact group on "duck" number two. "Are you getting out furniture?" she asks.

Hot Coffee

From somewhere appears a squad of four Salvation Army relief workers carrying thermos buckets of steaming hot coffee and sandwiches. Peggy and Blake Austin, Marg Purkess and Mary Ripley are a more-than-welcome sight to the work-weary, water-weary East-Kildonan dike workers.

It's dark. Through it all — above the hum and hum of the bunched dike workers — is the monotonous drone of "Peter One to Peter Two—are you receiving? Over."

A shout goes up. "Peter One" is sighted sloshing back to the "base." It "walked" in on rubber wheels, but it's not walking out. In half an hour or so the water has risen from three to better than six feet. "Peter One" is coming out — swimming.

The "duck" lumbers up onto dry land, and two young men are helped down from its foredeck. They are Jack Waterworth, 22, and George Morrow, 24, stranded in the flooded area when they started to help someone else evacuate.

The "sleeping man" is also reported safely out.

Says the navy: No casualties. The water is still rising hours later, as one by one, group by group, East Kildonan's beaten army of dike workers go home.



These Leighton avenue, East Kildonan homes were on dry ground at 8 p.m. Wednesday. By 9.30 p.m. water from the breached dike, one-third of a mile east, had trickled up to their lawns. Early Thursday, the homes stood in three feet of water. Here, two R.C.M.P. constables are about to remove E. A. Wilson from his home at 127 Leighton avenue. Mr. Wilson, chased from the house with his wife and six children Wednesday evening, returned Thursday to salvage some blankets and clothes.

## Flood Briefs

The Variety concert, to be held May 12 at St. Andrews United church, Elgin avenue, has been cancelled.

All ex-airforce personnel and members of the City of Winnipeg Wing are asked to report to headquarters at Consolidated Motors, 235 Main street, for volunteer flood duty. Shifts start at 10 a.m. 6 p.m. and 2 a.m.

The I.O.D.E. is in urgent-need of mattresses for single and double beds. Please contact the New Method laundry at 37 222.

Swimming classes conducted by the Winnipeg Boy Scouts' Swim club from 7 to 9 p.m. on Thursdays at Sherbrook pool have been suspended.

The meeting of the canvassers of the Broadway Optimist community centre, which was to be held at the club, Thursday has been postponed indefinitely.

The Winnipeg Sales and Ad club luncheon, scheduled for Monday, May 15, has been cancelled.

The meeting of Excelsior Lodge No. 484 has been cancelled.

Canon Bayes, of Portage la Prairie, can provide for 50 people in his parish hall.

St. John's college can accommodate 30 people, and the Anglican camp at Lac du Bonnet can take at least 100 people.

The newly set-up North End Relief centre at 1206 Main street will help evacuate anyone in difficulty in the north end. Phone 54 119.

The official school trustee of Brooklands school district announces there will be no school at the Brooklands Red and White schools until further notice.

Mayor A. G. Boe, of Treherne, is calling a meeting of those interested in furnishing accommodation for flood evacuees, at the Movie hall at 3 p.m. Thursday.

Until further notice, all activities but Sunday morning church services at the Lutheran church of the Redeemer, Wellington crescent at Academy, road have been cancelled.

Ex-members of the Queen's Own Cameron Highlanders are urgently needed at Minto Armouries to carry on administrative and fatigue duties in order that able-bodied men may be released for flood duties. Report to Lieut. MacKay at the armouries.

The provincial government's clinic at St. Boniface hospital, out-patient department, is closed until further notice. In the meantime patients should go to the special clinic at 320 Sherbrook street.

All Hong Kong veterans who wish to work in a group to help flood victims are asked to call Mrs. Veale at 595 926.

Fort Garry Kiwanis club weekly meetings are cancelled until further notice.

All meetings to be held at the Labor Temple, 165 James street, are cancelled until further notice.

The St. Vital Legion advises that all residents who are in immediate need of evacuation should contact the St. Vital Legion at 203 549 and they will be transported to the depot for registration.

Canadian National railways announce an emergency telephone number 9020 to be used when direct line numbers listed in the telephone book cannot be reached due to line congestion. This is a 24-hour service.

No autos are to be permitted to travel east on Academy road over Maryland bridge. The only vehicles allowed to go east are trucks, emergency vehicles and trolley buses.

The Winnipeg Police department asks owners of cars parked on Talbot avenue from Wolf street to Bird's Hill road to remove them to less important locations. This thoroughfare must be kept open in order to accommodate a steady stream of trucks carrying essential flood needs, it is stressed.

Flood Control headquarters Thursday morning received word from Mayor P. W. Pratt of Birle, Man., announcing that Birle is prepared to house at least 200 evacuees from flooded areas.



# TRAFFIC BAN DEBATED

## New Relief Appeal To Extend Overseas

### To Help Replace Lost Possessions

A fund for the rehabilitation of homes along the Red river, the Manitoba Flood Relief fund, has been established, it was announced Friday.

The fund, which will replace the one recently announced by Mayor Garnet Coulter, is under the chairmanship of H. W. Manning, and will include five honorary chairmen, the lieutenant-governor, Hon. R. F. McWilliams, Premier D. L. Campbell, Mayor Coulter of Winnipeg, Mayor G. C. MacLean of St. Boniface and the United States consul-general, E. L. Padberg, Jr.

The appeal will go as far afield as possible, it was learned. Essentially a Canadian appeal, it is

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hoped nevertheless that parts of the United States and possibly the United Kingdom will respond to Winnipeg's plight.

**No Limit**

No limit has been placed on the drive for funds, since, as yet it is impossible to calculate the need. There will be a general committee including businessmen, industrialists and religious leaders.

The fund, modelled on the

one organized in British Columbia for the Fraser Valley, will be used to replace furniture, clothing and household effects lost or ruined in Red river floods, it was reported.

It was stressed that the fund is for post flood relief.

The fund will take over when evacuees have returned to their homes and will supply such essentials as household furniture and furnishings, it was announced. It will also cover personal belongings and losses not covered by other agencies.

**Income Tax Exemption**

Contributions will be deductible for income tax purposes.

The cheques are to be made payable to the Manitoba flood relief fund.

## 60,000 Leave City More Plan To Go

Refugees driven out of their homes by the Red river, and others leaving to lighten the load on Winnipeg's vital services, streamed out of the city Friday.

Authorities declined to make any estimate of the total number evacuated but rail officials said 60,000 have left by train in the past three days. One source said that if the movement continued at its present speed one-third the city's population of more than 300,000 would have moved out by the week-end.

The need for people to leave—those who are able to—was even greater Friday than it had been earlier in the week.

said Brig. R. E. A. Morton, director of the province's flood relief organization.

He urged Winnipeg residents to take advantage of the existing arrangements to move.

Authorities stressed that they were not ordering a "mass evacuation" but that they did want all elderly people, cripples, women and children, who could to move to new homes outside the city.

The railways were carrying the bulk of the evacuees. Bus terminals, the airport and highways were also crowded. Hundreds have found refuge in

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## 4,000 From City Jam Beach Resorts

BY RUTH WILSON

Not waters but people—4,000 of them—had invaded Winnipeg Beach by Thursday afternoon. First there was only a trickle when, early this week, most of Winnipeg still hoped it was safe. Wednesday the order came—evacuate!—and all that night cars and trucks poured along the highway as families fled from the nightmare city.

In the morning the Canadian Pacific railways' first Winnipeg Beach evacuation train pulled out of the station. There were 100 passengers, mostly women and children, and they were weary.

Though they talked cheerfully, the mothers' eyes were haggard and even the children seemed subdued. They watched silently while flooded roads and houses and rain-soaked prairie fields flowed past the window. A little boy waved goodbye from his perch atop a fence post.

Goodbye—for how long?

Some of these families had watched the invading waters turn their floors into seas; many had evacuated while the river was still some distance away; others left only because all women and children were advised to do so.

None knew when they would see their homes again.

"You hate like blazes to leave everything you've worked for behind."

"How about my piano lessons, Mother?"

"I wish we had saved more furniture."

"Fummy, wou't we have summer holidays—is this instead of them?"

"If the dike breaks I don't know what we'll find when we come back."

Anyone who wandered down the aisle would hear many remarks

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## Jubilee Bus On Regular Route Again

Further changes in transit service were announced by the Winnipeg Electric company Friday.

Jubilee bus is back on its regular route.

University buses are running on Pembina highway as far as Clarence avenue, just north of the municipal hall.

Bus service in St. Boniface has been confined to a one-way circuit-route service to the following streets and avenues: Tache, Dollard, Aulneau, Provencher, Des Meurons, Dubin, Traverse, Marion and Tache.

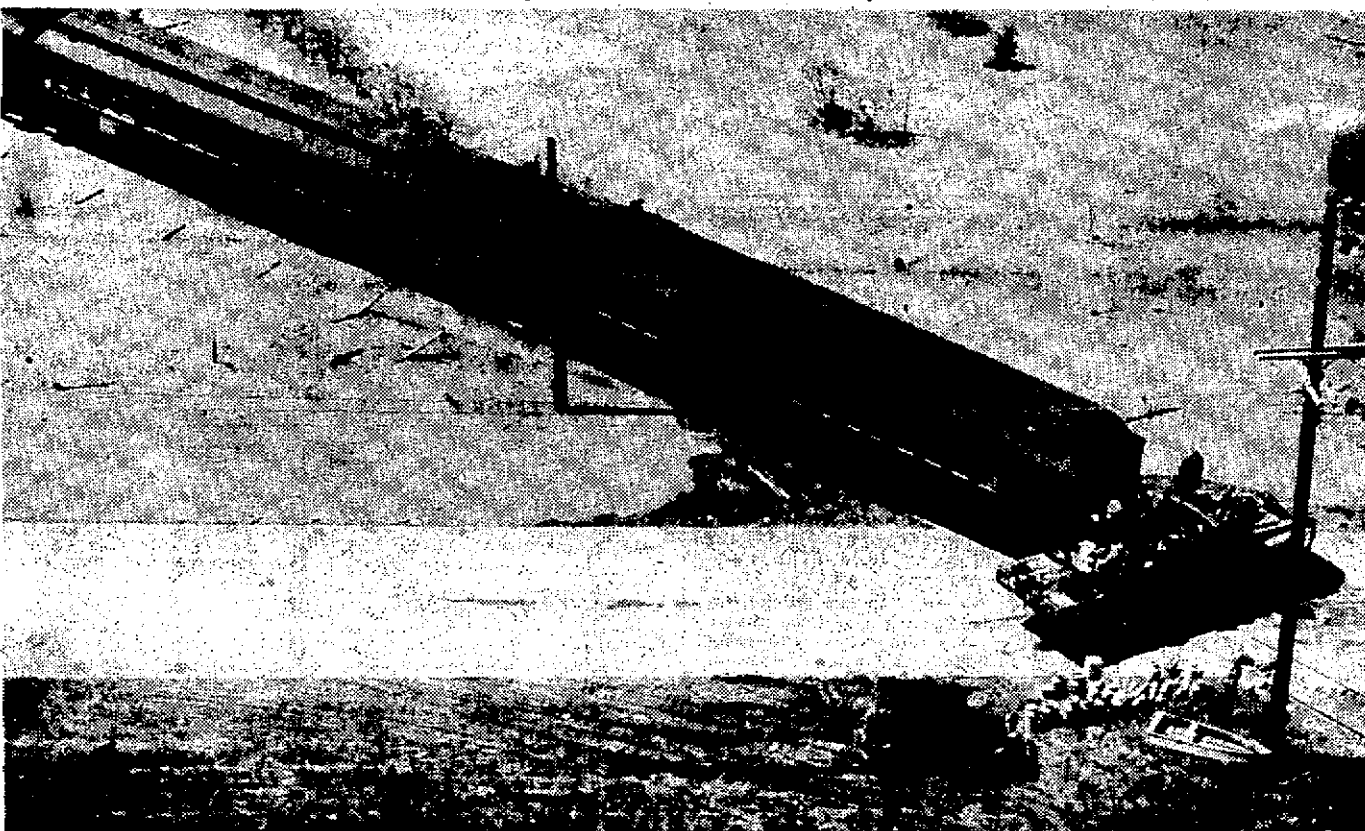
Another emergency bus is operating from Tache avenue and Marion street to St. Mary's road, along St. Mary's road to Carriere avenue.

All previously announced changes in transit service are still in effect, said a Winnipeg Electric company spokesman.



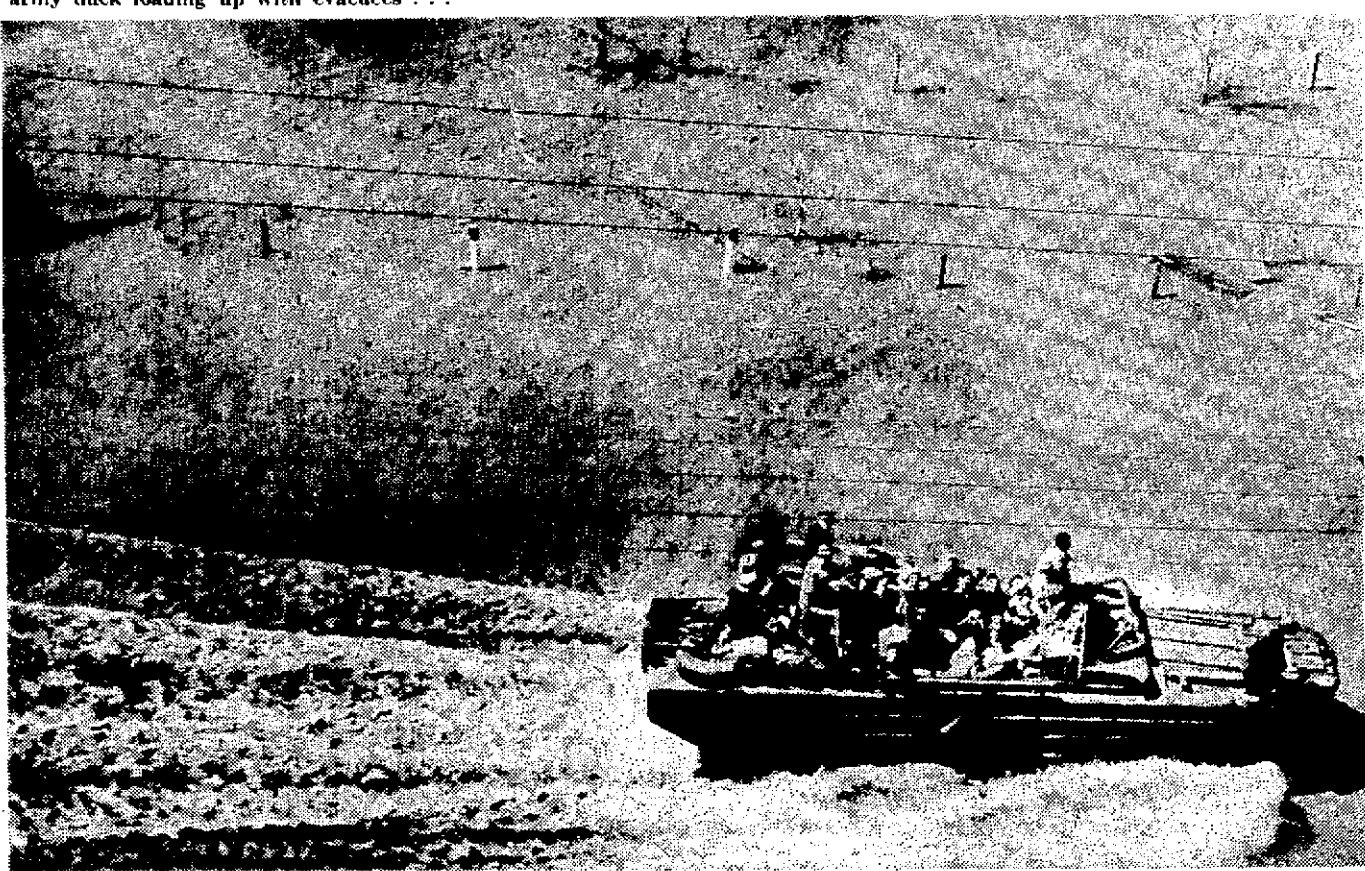
When flood waters Thursday caused a washout on the Canadian National railways line less than seven miles from Winnipeg, the mass evacuation from the Red river valley was ended. The air photo above shows the last "evacuation special" as it stood stranded on a spur track.

—Free Press Helicopter Photo



But help for the flood refugees inside the train was not long in coming. Shown here is an army duck loading up with evacuees.

—Free Press Helicopter Photo



Passengers all safely aboard, the duck makes speedily for dry MacGillivray avenue.

—Free Press Helicopter Photo

## Rail Ballast 'To Moor' Doused Elm Park Span

Here are the highlights of Friday morning's meeting of Winnipeg's flood control committee:

1. The city is arranging to have Elm Park bridge, which is closed and condemned, weighted with steel rails so that it will not float away.

A possible cave-in of the approach on east side of Maryland bridge reported.

A Winnipeg bridge expert, W. Walkden, and four other engineers are to report on the condition of Osborne, Maryland and Norwood bridges.

2. The power situation was described as "excellent."

3. Ald. C. E. Simonite said the cost of meeting the flood disaster might "run into millions." But, he said, he had Premier D. L. Campbell's promise that the province would take its full share of the responsibility for finances.

The city of Winnipeg Friday was assured by its bank, the Bank of Montreal, that expenses resulting from the "most unfortunate and severe flood" would be unhesitatingly met.

4. The city will try to stop all non-essential traffic in Winnipeg after 8 p.m. Chief of Police Charles MacIver described the traffic situation as becoming a "serious problem." Mayor Garnet Coulter was to make a radio broadcast in this regard.

## 'Don't Drive' Public Urged

City streets may be shut down tonight to all but emergency traffic.

Four bridges are out. The latest: Norwood. The three others are Elm Park, Provencher and Provencher-Seine.

Forty thousand Greater Winnipeg residents have been driven from their homes—doubling the population of some districts.

## Flood Defence Cost Mounting Into Millions

Winnipeg's finance committee was told Friday that the cost of Greater Winnipeg flood defences was running into "millions of dollars."

"The financing of most of this flood resistance has been borne by the city as you probably know," Ald. C. E. Simonite, chairman, declared.

At the same time, W. B. Brown, city treasurer, revealed that the city's bank, the Bank of Montreal, has agreed to meet required expenses resulting from the flood situation.

No definite estimate of the amount spent so far on the battle could be given Friday. However, Ald. Simonite estimated it would "run into millions."

Earlier, Ald. Simonite told the city's flood control committee that Premier D. L. Campbell has assured that the province would take full share of the responsibility for flood expenditures.

"I am sure the province will help us out," Ald. Simonite remarked.

## Repayment Plan Studied By Red Cross

Municipalities throughout Manitoba are doing everything possible to provide supplies and accommodation for evacuees from Winnipeg. This has given rise to the question of what compensation the municipalities will receive.

A Red Cross official said Friday a survey is now being made of the capacity of Manitoba towns. The Red Cross is also working to set up some plan for compensation to the municipalities involved.

## Flag Flies To Honor Florence Nightingale

Today is the anniversary of Florence Nightingale's birth. It is observed throughout the British commonwealth as Red Cross Day in honor of the woman whose service to the men in the Crimean war inspired the founding of the organization known as the Red Cross. To honor her memory, the Red Cross flag flies from the Free Press courtesy flag-staff today.

River level at 1 p.m. was 29.9 feet above datum, a rise of .4 feet in 24 hours.

Waters now top the 1948 flood peak by 6.5 feet.

All Canada is pitching in to help Manitoba flood victims. An all-out relief effort has been started in Saskatchewan.

Flood control "seems well in hand," but the situation is "definitely not over." A further rise seen before the Red's crest is reached.

Those were the seven main points today in the Manitoba flood picture.

Possibility that city roads would be barred to all but emergency traffic was seen by Police Chief Charles MacIver.

Meanwhile, motorists were urged to leave all cars at home except those in use for emergency flood work.

Police have been authorized to re-route non-essential vehicles from work areas.

The reason: Increasing threat to Assiniboine river bridges and available traffic arteries.

Winnipeg's flood control committee early today cast a relieved glance at the power situation—described "in excellent shape"—and moved top priorities to the protection of bridges.

At noon the city awaited a report from five bridge experts on the over-all condition of Greater Winnipeg's main over-river links. This was the situation at 1 p.m. today:

City engineers had 250 yards yet to build of a 550-yard gravel approach along Water avenue to Provencher bridge. The water at this unfinished gap is reported seven feet deep. Norwood bridge was still closed to all traffic. Supplies to St. Boniface district and Norwood operations were being re-routed over Louise bridge and the newly-constructed emergency Marion street bridge.

Meanwhile, a new dike—already half completed—was being built along the west side of Main street between Main and Norwood bridges.

Maryland Bridge A secondary dike was being thrown up along the east side of the south approach (Wellington

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## Small Talk



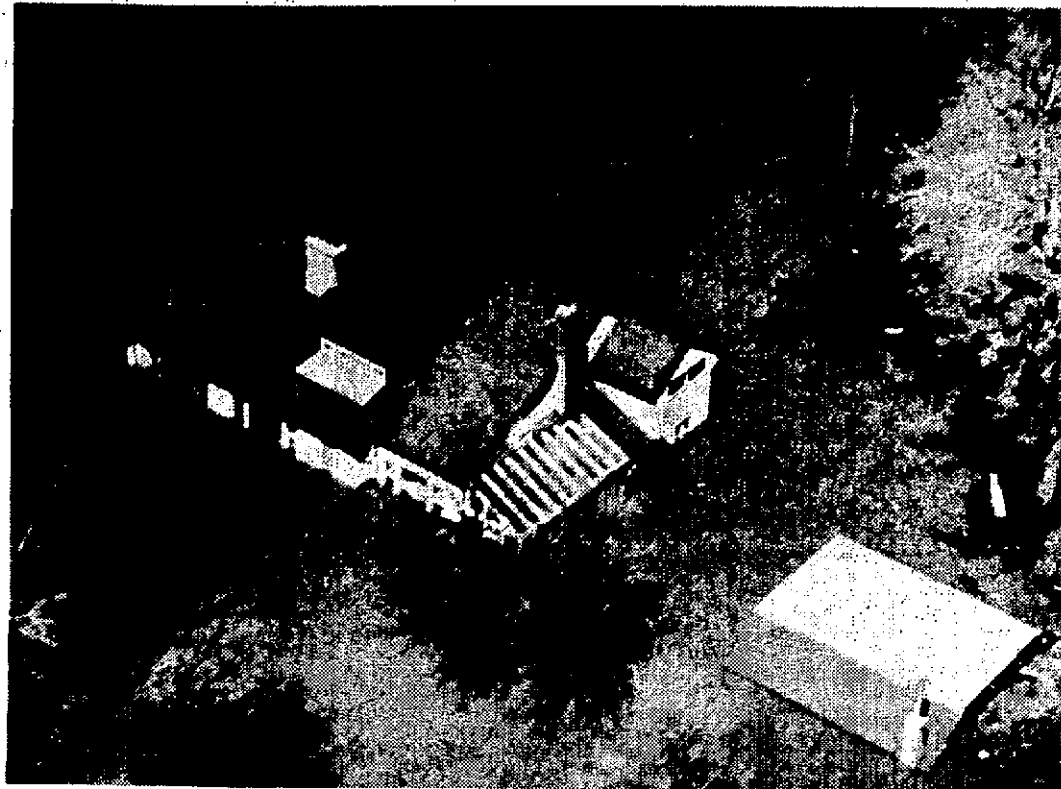
"Boss, my wife thinks I should ask for a raise."

## Sunday Paper

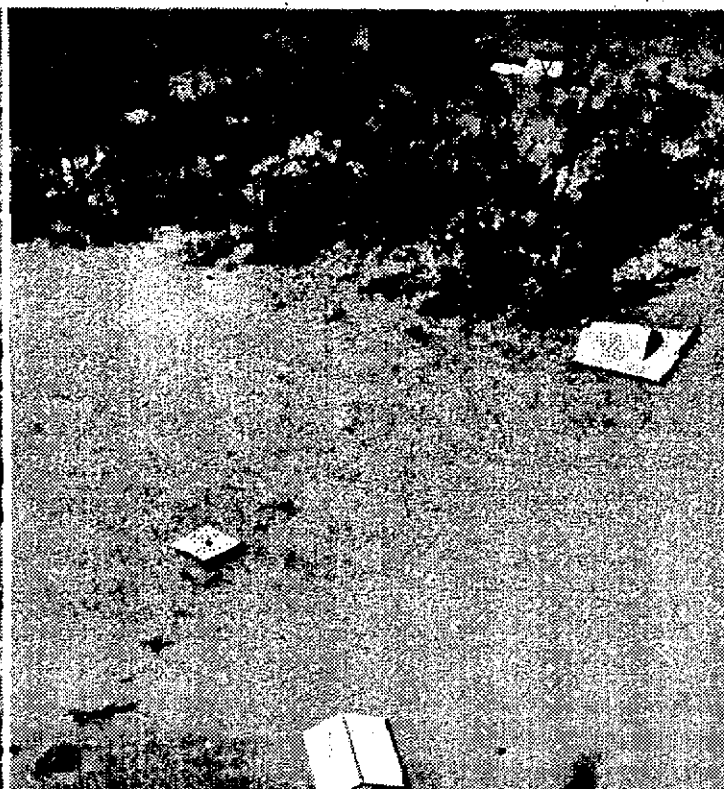
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Owners of this Elm park home are waiting patiently for flood waters to recede . . .



... while near Fort Garry the relentless Red almost covers the roofs of several farm houses . . .



... not quite so deep but widespread is the water in this flood-filled Riverview district.

—Free Press Helicopter Photo



These are the girls who made the last stand at Morris — one of the hardest hit of Manitoba's flood-stricken towns. These telephone operators kept lines open up to the last minute, after three weeks of hectic and dangerous work. Left to right, they are, Alice Penner, of Plum Coulee, Doris Walters of Fort Rouge and Sophie Ptak, of Dugald.

## Morris Telephone Girls Arrive From Last Stand

Some people figure Custer had it easy. When you talk about last stands, a few will argue they would rather have the battle at the Little Horn river in Montana than the vicious Red river that knocked out the Manitoba town of Morris.

Three girls who saw the dying struggles of Morris were the telephone operators who arrived in Winnipeg Thursday. Alice Penner of Plum Coulee, Doris Walters of Fort Rouge and Sophie Ptak of Dugald, are as flood-conscious as any of the refugee thousands.

For three weeks, the girls saw the rise of the Red, its baleful approach and its final overwhelming of the town.

They lived in a cramped trailer with the original eight operators. They worked two-hour shifts from 7 a.m. to 11 p.m., answering hundreds of calls pouring in at all times of the day and night. They worked steadily in hip boots with more than a foot of murky water in their office. Two had nervous breakdowns.

"It was certainly good to see dry land again," Miss Walters would say.

Another operator, Mrs. Lillian Zielke of Winnipeg, came in with the three girls Thursday. The party started off early Thursday morning in an R.C.M.P. fish boat. They travelled six miles to the water's end, then went by truck to Roland, a Manitoba Telephone system official brought them to Winnipeg.

"There are no operators left there at all now," one of the group said. Only a few R.C.M.P. and district people remain to help evacuate livestock.

"I understand complete evacuation of the town is being called for Friday or Saturday," Miss Walters remarked.

The worst time for the girls was Tuesday when only emergency calls were coming through the board. They knew they wouldn't be able to leave for two days or more. Then lines began going out of order.

"Thursday morning, when people rang in, they were told it was their last day. It was rather hard to tell them after struggling that long," one of the operators said.

During their time at Morris, the girls worked "hand in glove" with

## Navy Man Wins Empire Medal In Sub-Floating

LONDON, May (Reuters)—Working alone in darkness among wreckage, chlorine gas, oil and flood water, leading electrician's mate Carl Christian Anderson saved the British submarine Sceptre.

The London Gazette announced he has been awarded the British Empire medal (military division) and told the story of his heroism last August.

Crewless, the Sceptre was hanging by wires from salvage ships with 500 feet of water below her, when an underwater explosion tipped her and water poured into the hull.

Anderson volunteered to enter the submarine, knowing that any moment the wires might break and she might sink.

Wearing a respirator, he floundered through to the pump room. Despite repeated severe electric shocks, he connected the main ballast pump, opened the valves and got the pump working.

The submarine floated again—saved, the citation said, by "Anderson's courage, skill and determination."

FLIN FLON (CP)—The town council has ordered that for a two-week experimental period Main street will be used for south-bound traffic only and north-bound traffic will use the two adjacent streets.



Battling to keep open the vital supply link to Fortress St. Boniface, dike builders are shown here throwing up a protective wall along the west side of Main street, between Norwood bridge and Main street bridge.

## Food, Evacuee Trains Get Priority Rating

Flood supply and evacuee trains have been given first priority by the railroads.

Over all traffic, the Canadian National railways has given right of way to trains handling refugees and diking materials such as sand, rock and gravel, it was announced Friday.

Geared for the evacuation, both railroads were reported jammed with evacuees. In the last three days, the Canadian National was reported to have handled more than 15,000 people, not including children.

Extra cars have been put on all trains.

In the last three days, 30-40 sleepers have left the Canadian Pacific station.

The Canadian Pacific railway's westbound transcontinental trains carried 14 extra sleeping cars when they left Winnipeg Friday.

Eight extra coaches were attached to the Toronto bound train Thursday night, and 13 cars left for Montreal.

Thirty-seven passenger cars, the first reserve "deadhead" equipment to reach the city, arrived at the Canadian Pacific station Thursday night.

Equipment Rushed

All "deadhead" equipment being rushed from east and west is expected to be in the city by Friday night. In all, 73 day coaches, two commissary cars, one lunch car and 29 diners are being supplied from eastern Canada, the Canadian Pacific announced.

About 29 sleepers are due in Friday and 31 others are available in the west.

The Canadian National railways operated two evacuation trains Thursday night. More than 125 people were taken to Neepawa, and 325 to Dauphin.

Friday, the Canadian Pacific regular train to Winnipeg Beach carried close to 300 people.

On the first of the Canadian National's beach specials, there were 270 passengers for Grand Marais, Grand Beach and Victoria Beach Thursday.

More than 150 occupants of the old folks home were taken to Regina on the regular train Thursday night.

About 500 evacuees from the St. Norbert-St. Agathe area were carried to Portage la Prairie over Canadian National lines Thursday evening.

There were 20 passengers and 16 cars of stock on the Canadian Pacific's last train out of Morris.

This brought the total of evacuees from the area to approximately 700. Over 60 cars of stock were taken out.

About 14 cars of livestock on the St. Norbert train which reached the university of Manitoba siding before being held up by flooded tracks, have been moved back to St. Agathe and will be taken by scow to the nearest high ground where feed is available, Canadian National officials announced.

Approximately 75 patients are due to leave the Canadian National station at 9 p.m. daylight time Friday for the sanatorium at Qu'Appelle.

Thursday, an estimated 18,000 people used the Canadian National shuttle service between Winnipeg and St. Boniface.

Commencing Friday, the schedule for the shuttle service is as follows: trains leave the Winnipeg station every half hour from 5:45 a.m. standard time until 11:45 p.m. standard time.

Trains leaving St. Boniface run every half hour from 6 a.m. standard time until 12 midnight standard time.

This service will remain in effect on week days as long as required, railway officials said. Announcements will be made later regarding Sunday service.

A second section would be added Friday to the regular train on the Virden run, the Canadian National railways announced.

The train, which leaves the Canadian National station at 3 p.m. standard time, stops at all points between Winnipeg and Virden.

## Week-End Trains To Go To Beaches

The special Canadian Pacific train to resorts on the Riverton line will be continued Saturday, Sunday, Monday and Tuesday, it was learned Friday. The train leaves the Canadian Pacific station at 9:30 a.m. daylight time.

Total number of passengers aboard the special jumped from 100 Thursday to 154 Friday. Traffic is expected to be heavy Saturday, and 10 cars have been earmarked for use.

The Beach special is running in addition to the regular 5:30 Winnipeg Beach train.

Canadian Pacific general ticket sales were reported to be five to seven times above normal. Thursday, 4,500 tickets were sold. Friday's sale is expected to be larger.



The crucial battle for the bridges was reaching its peak Friday as workers concentrate on the approaches in an effort to re-open those closed. Above, the debris-clogged Norwood bridge is shown as dike work continues on the Winnipeg side.



Workmen are pouring thousands of tons of gravel into an improvised ramp to Provencher bridge in an effort to build up and re-open it to traffic. A bulldozer here packs down gravel on Water avenue. The water gap yet to be filled is 250 yards long.



# NEW 20-BLOCK AREA HIT

## Red River Rising Slowly At U.S. Border

### Hopes, Fears Mix In Valley

Southern Manitobans looked to the week-end with mixed feelings.

Earlier, indications that the flood's worst might be over had been partly offset by still rising waters — but the rise was slow.

Equally slow was the drop of .3 of a foot in Red flood levels at Grand Forks. Levels there are an indication of what can be expected here.

Hopes were that the flood, rapidly assuming Noah-like proportions in the minds of many, would not worsen.

Emerson expected a crest Sunday or Monday — meanwhile, the town's emergency organization worked smoothly and efficiently.

With 65 inches of water lying in the streets, the border towns did not expect levels to rise more than a few inches.

But Saturday's record showed a 2.5-inch rise during the 24-hour period.

Supplies were being regularly received — freighted by boat from Canadian Pacific trains which get to within two miles of the town.

For the first time Emerson residents were using water from a rail tank-car — the one remaining well had been closed off. The tank supply would last a week.

In most of the flooded valley towns livestock evacuation got top priority. Many animals had died.

Special barges had been built in some areas to transport the stock from danger areas to marshalling points.

A new one, Morris, measured 20 by 12 feet and could handle nine head for the trip to Love Farm.

In all the flooded towns and villages damage to homes and other buildings mounted as increasing flood water-pressure saved in walls.

At Morris, the water level rose again during the 24-hour period ending at 8 a.m. Saturday—but only three-quarters of an inch.

In Winnipeg the increase was three inches in the same period.

St. Jean Baptiste levels were up an inch. About 75 men were left in this deserted French settlement.

They salvaged stock and property and kept watch on the abandoned dwellings and business places.

Letellier Packed

Letellier was filled to capacity with evacuees from St. Jean — stock evacuation was the main consideration — there was sufficient feed for a week.

To the east, Dominion City watched Roseau river flood levels drop to a point where it was almost certain any further rises in the Red would not endanger the town.

Another danger had passed at Emerson where 10,000 gallons of oil had been released into flood waters when an oil tank was smashed.

Most of the slick was being carried away by the rapidly moving flood — but R.C.M.P. took precautions, warning motor boats not to operate in the area and residents not to light cigarettes there.

Markers were put out.

Portage Report

There seemed little possibility of an Assiniboine flood at Portage la Prairie.

Backwaters from the east had pushed the river's level up only .05 of a foot during Friday night.

This is the river being watched most closely by American flood experts in their efforts to predict what will happen next.

George Velleit, pumping station engineer at Portage, stated there was no danger there of an Assiniboine flood "unless there is a heavy run-off from the west."

"In any case, he added, the river here must rise another 10 feet before becoming dangerous."

**The Pas Raises \$202 For Flood Aid Fund**

THE PAS, Man., May 13 (Special)—Proceeds of \$202 in aid of the Manitoba Flood Relief fund were raised at a tea arranged by the women of The Pas at the Opasquai hotel.

Mrs. Ellen Symington was convener of the event which was given strong support by town residents.

### Garson Here, Claxton Due For Parley

Hon. S. S. Garson, minister of justice, arrived in Winnipeg Friday evening to confer on the flood situation with Premier D. L. Campbell. He will be followed to the city Saturday by Hon. Brooke Claxton, minister of national defence, and five Manitoba members of parliament.

Mr. Claxton, Ralph Maybank, Winnipeg south centre, W. G. Weir, Portage la Prairie, J. S. Sinnott, Springfield, J. E. Matthews, Brandon and W. J. Ward, Dauphin, were scheduled to leave Ottawa for Winnipeg Saturday afternoon.

Departure time of the plane depended on the weather. It was raining in Ottawa Saturday.

The members of parliament will come here to see for themselves flood havoc caused by the Red. This will be Mr. Maybank's second visit since the flood began. Allister Stewart, Winnipeg north, has also been here to view the flood.

**REPORT DESERTION**

HONG KONG, May 13 (AP)—A Chinese despatch reported Saturday more than 500 Chinese Communist troops had gone over to the Nationalists at Sungmen.

### St. Vital 'Voyage' Shows Desolation On All Sides

BY GEORGE YOUNG

It was beautiful—but terrifying.

It was unbelievable to ride along St. Mary's road, in St. Vital, in a "ship" with full navy crew, hourly checking their gain in sea time.

"boarded ship" on the solid pavement in front of the legislative building for a cruise on board an RCN-manned army duck to the St. Boniface sanatorium and the surrounding district. The "cruise" was advertised as a two-hour affair, but I did not get back to Winnipeg until well after dark.

A final clearance for the voyage was given by wireless from HMCS Chippewa as we rounded the corner of Broadway and Main, passing the Union station advertising special summer vacation rail trips. The good ship "DUKW" cleared "Port of Winnipeg," as we sailed gaily OVER Main street and Norwood bridges and out onto the open waters of Norwood and on to Lake St. Vital.

Rush Food Supply

Within half a block, we were called "ashore" by a naval officer who had emergency medical supplies and food rations to be rushed to St. Boniface sanatorium, and an urgent call for a "ship" to pick up some 200 dozen eggs from a large poultry farm on St. Mary's road.

We were soon under way.

### Technicians Asked To Enroll Names For Emergencies

All technical engineering personnel engaged on non-essential operations has been asked to register in case they are needed in an emergency. The registration phone number is 927 676.

This appeal was issued Friday under the authority of Col. E. J. W. Akins, head of the engineering section, emergency planning committee.

Col. Akins stressed the urgent necessity of having a record of all persons in this category should their services be needed on short notice.



Framed against a cloudy sky the still, dark figure of a nun is seen beside the earthen dike surrounding St. Boniface sanatorium. Sister Blais of the order of the Grey Nuns of Montreal was one of the defenders who stayed behind after patients were removed from the hospital. The building now stands on a tiny island. All around there is water as far as the eye can see. (See other photos on page 18.)

### Man Parks Car In Pond, Gets \$2 Auto Wash, Free

One Winnipeg motorist is going to keep clean, disaster or high water.

In fact, water was just what he needed Friday evening as he drove his new gray car into a foot of the wide pond which is spreading over Wellington Crescent.

In slacks and rubber boots, he fished out a long handled mop, and proceeded to give his vehicle a sound cleaning. Great! saves two dollars, and what fun paddling about in the water.

**SHOCK IN ECUADOR**

GUAYAQUIL, Ecuador, May 13 (AP)—A strong earth shock was felt here at 7:34 p.m. (6:30 p.m. CDT) Friday night. There appeared to be no damage.

### Traffic Arteries

LATEST REPORTS

**BRIDGES**

ELM PARK — Closed and condemned; weighted with steel.

LOUISE — Open to trucks and emergency vehicles only.

MAIN — Closed except to military and naval vehicles.

MARION-SEINE — Under military control; open to all traffic.

MARYLAND — Westbound lane carrying southbound general traffic and northbound buses; other northbound traffic diverted.

NORWOOD — Closed to all but amphibious vehicles.

OSBORNE — Open to all traffic; diking and pumping in progress.

PROVENCHE — Work on ramp continuing; bridge may be open Sunday.

PROVENCHE-SEINE — Closed to all traffic.

REDWOOD — Open to all traffic.

**SUBWAYS**

ANNABELLA — Closed and barricaded.

ARLINGTON — Open to all traffic; pumping in progress.

BERGEN CUT-OFF — By-pass open to essential traffic; army in control.

ELGIN — Open to all traffic.

HIGGINS-SUTHERLAND — Open to emergency vehicles.

### Assiniboine River—What Will It Do?

Official fear has been expressed that the so-far docile but unpredictable Assiniboine river may yet strike out at Manitoba.

If it does the flood situation here and in the valley would worsen considerably.

American flood experts keep hourly watch over the river's course through this province.

They have warned of the potential dangers to all in so far flooded areas and others in those that would be affected by an uncontrolled Assiniboine.

At Brandon Saturday

Peter McDuffe, water works superintendent, told the Free Press he believed the Assiniboine "would behave itself this year at least, and give Winnipeg evacuees a respite from flood conditions while they are guests of Brandon."

The Assiniboine remained at 13.5 feet above datum at Brandon. Saturday morning, more than 4 1/2 feet below flood level.

Mr. McDuffe stated, "There are no indications of a flood coming down the Assiniboine."

### DIKE NEWS

#### Austrian Radio Tells Of Flood

Winnipeg's flood is rating the air waves even in Vienna, Austria.

A former Winnipegger, Mrs. J. K. Reuter, learned of the break in the Wildwood dike last week-end when the news was broadcast over a station in the mid-European city.

Mrs. Reuter had a special interest in Wildwood. Her brother Gordon Hunt, lived there until flood waters forced him out of his home. His sister sent an immediate message inquiring about his safety.

Mrs. Reuter had formerly Miss Kathleen Hunt of 359 Oxford street.

### Temperatures

Temperature readings during the 24-hour period ending at 6:30 a.m. Saturday were:

	Min.	Max.	Prec.
Vancouver	49	65	nil
Calgary	45	77	nil
Edmonton	50	79	trace
Swift Current	52	75	nil
Saskatoon	45	77	nil
Regina	49	71	nil
Brandon	30	56	nil
WINNIPEG	38	66	.4
Toronto	48	75	nil
Churchill	11	19	trace
Fort William	26	43	nil
Montreal	44	62	.03
Halifax	38	64	nil

### ODEON HEAD DIES

TORONTO, May 13 (CP)—J. Earl Lawson, 59, president and managing director of Odeon Theatres of Canada, limited, and one-time minister of National revenue in the Conservative cabinet of the late Viscount Bennett, died Saturday. He had been in hospital more than a year.

### One Span Left To St. Boniface

Hundreds more Winnipeg homes were given up to the flood waters of the Red and Assiniboine rivers early Saturday when army flood control abandoned the fight to re-open Norwood bridge, vital link between the city and St. Boniface.

At 6 a.m. residents of Fort Rouge in the vicinity of the Winnipeg approach to the bridge were urged to evacuate their homes. By 8 a.m. orderly evacuation of some 20 blocks of residential and industrial property was almost completed.

Army officials said there was no break in any dike, but that water seeping through might reach as far as Osborne street.

Only one transportation link now remains between Winnipeg and the diked-in St. Boniface—the temporary bridge over the Seine river on Marion street.

Other major developments in the flood situation are:

• River level at 11 a.m. was 30.1 feet above datum, a rise of only .2 feet in 22 hours.

• Four carloads of Bailey bridges sections are being rushed to the city.

• Police have been instructed to crack down on all sightseers and pleasure drivers.

• Winnipeg is going to be "in a serious predicament for at least two weeks", according to H. W. Harrieh, U.S. Corps of engineers, St. Paul.

• Premier Stuart Garson arrived Friday night to confer with government officials on setting up a joint provincial federal flood commission.

• All remaining dikes in Greater Winnipeg were reported holding well Saturday.

• Dominion bridge company are providing a trestle for the Provencher bridge approach.

Mr. Harrieh told flood control officials Saturday that five or six hundredths of an inch rise in the river now is more important than five feet would have been some time ago. The key to the Winnipeg situation lay in the water level at Emerson, he said.

This is by far the worst flood

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### The Sky Is The Limit For Flood Relief Fund

The sky's the limit for the Manitoba Flood Relief fund now in operation in Winnipeg.

No limit is being set to the appeal for funds for post-flood relief and rehabilitation, an official spokesman said Saturday.

"We have no way of knowing how great the need will be," he explained.

Already 130 subscribers have sent a total of \$5,200 in to fund officials. The largest contribution so far has been of \$1,000 from J. H. Ashdown company.

One cheque for \$5.15 arrived Saturday from a Canadian student at International house in Chicago. Another for \$5 was the gift of the grade seven students of room 10 in the Parkdale school in Edmonton.

**Through Any Bank**

M. A. O'Hara, honorary treasurer of the fund, said Saturday that arrangements were being made for payments to be possible through any bank in Canada. He stressed that all contributions would be deductible for income tax purposes.

Following a meeting of fund officials in the legislative building, Friday, the names of those appointed to the executive committee were announced.

Here is the list:

H. C. Ashdown, P. A. Chester, Mrs. Garnet Coulter (honorary secretary), Mayor W. R. Forrester of Emerson, Man.; S. Hart Green, Joseph Harris, J. P. Johnson, J. A. MacAlay, R. S. McLeod, Hon. J. S. McLeod, W. Manson, A. W. Mossarella, Andrew Murphy, Mr. O'Hara (honorary treasurer), W. J. Parker, Forbes Rankin, Mrs. J. A. Richardson, H. E. Sellers, Victor Sifton, Dr. P. H. T. Thorlakson and A. H. Watson.

Col. G. H. Aikins was appointed advisory counsel.

In a story dealing with the setting up of the fund which appeared in Friday afternoon's Free Press, an error was made in referring to the United States representative among the honorary chairmen. This should have read W. H. McKinney, United States consul-general.

Chairman of the fund is H. W. Manning.

See Flood pictures on pages 5, 7, 8, 9, 10 and 18.

### Small Talk



"If the sun keeps shining, we'll beat this flood yet."

### Sunday Paper

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For the past nine days, these two members of radio station CKRC's technical staff, Bert Hooper, left, and Joe Gray, were marooned at the station's transmitter in St. Vital. They look relieved to be back to civilization.

## Nine-Day Battle Ends For Three Radio Men

Written For The Canadian Press BY BERT HOOPER

I'm so tired I can hardly talk. I just came in from radio station CKRC's transmitter.

My two assistants and I were marooned out there for nine days by the Red River flood. We'd been trying to protect the transmitter and the building but the flood was too much for us.

It's in St. Vital, just east of the Red river. It's the only place above water in a huge lake.

We started sandbagging our own place and trying to keep the station operating on a 24-hour basis. But before we finished we were a clearing house for refugees, a supply centre, and a dock for navy ducks.

The whole area is desolated. Many of the people are mink or fox farmers. Most of them were wiped out.

Their barns and houses were up to the eaves. They lived in lofts, trying to keep their animals. Most of them ended by shooting them. When they ran out of ammunition they strangled the animals with handling hooks.

We saw all kinds of things that were tragic, but some were almost funny.

Friday, just before we left on the nine-mile boat trip to Winnipeg, we saw a whole string of boats coming down St. Mary's avenue. It looked like a canoe race. There were women, children, dogs, and chickens in the boats.

Paddled Horse Trough Behind was an old fellow in a horse trough, paddling it with a shovel. I laughed like it was a big joke, but I guess it wasn't funny to him.

Our own place is a mess. We built a dike around it and the transmitter, but there's water behind it now. We pulled all the switches, then let the water into the basement and ran like blazes.

The nine-foot basement filled in a couple of minutes.

My crew of 19 sandbaggers got out early. Two assistant engineers and I stayed on. We had lots of food—it's still stacked away up above the equipment. We brought some back for the Red Cross.

The navy brought people in to us in their ducks. We fed them and they moved on. I must have made a hundred gallons of coffee.

We loaded about 3,000 pounds of radio equipment and ourselves into a boat with an outboard motor and started

## Short Notice Given To Flood Evacuees

MONTREAL, May 13 (CP)—Some Winnipeg flood victims who arrived in Montreal seeking temporary refuge Friday had as little as 30 minutes notice before they were forced to evacuate their homes.

Typical is Mrs. E. G. Minelli, of 24 Cunningham avenue, St. Vital, warned Tuesday that her family might have to leave within three days. She was up until 2 a.m. packing. Then at 4 a.m. army officials called and ordered evacuation within 30 minutes. The situation had suddenly become worse in the area.

More fortunate was Mrs. Norma Henley who arrived with her two daughters, Joan, 3, and Sandra, 10. Their basement is flooded but they know that their home is on one of the highest spots in Winnipeg. All of the furniture had been moved to the top floor, Mrs. Henley said.

All the evacuees arriving here had high praise for the army and various groups doing relief work.

Another flood victim, Mrs. B. Herson, saw her father and brother for the first time in three years when she arrived Friday with her three-year-old son, Yohanan. The two men recently came to Montreal from Europe.

ANNIVERSARY BY POPE

VATICAN CITY, May 13 (AP)—Pope Pius, on the 33rd anniversary of his consecration as a bishop, Saturday received more than 30,000 holy year pilgrims in general audience. The pilgrimages included groups from Canada, the United States, Puerto Rico and Uruguay.

LOGAN AVENUE PARKING BAN Brooklands chief constable warns that there is no parking on Logan avenue between Keewatin street and Rosser road.

## University Postpones May 23 Convocation

The University of Manitoba's annual convocation for conferring of degrees has been cancelled, Dr. A. H. S. Gillson, president of the university, announced Saturday.

The degrees will be conferred in absentia by Hon. A. K. Dysart, chancellor, as soon as the senate of the university is able to decide the names of students who have fulfilled requirements.

The original date set for convocation was May 23.

A meeting of the senate for consideration of names will be held as soon as all examination results have been collected and tabulated, Dr. Gillson said.

## Wife Soothes Dike-Weary, Dosed Evacuee

Midnight on Oxford street.

Cast: Two slumbering evacuees.

A sleep-walking flood-fighter, fresh from a typhoid dose, starts up in bed.

He: There's water on the floor!

She (soothingly): No there isn't.

Lie down.

He (puzzled): Well... what is it, then?

She (in a small voice, trying to be practical): I think it's the rug.

He leaps out and stumbles across the room, peers at a pool of light that has seeped under the door.

He (apologetically): I... I guess... I thought...

He crawls sheepishly back into bed.

Snore...

## Rimouski Shares Gifts With Cabana

CABANO, Que., May 13 (BUP)—

A carload of supplies from devastated Rimouski was distributed in this small Temiscouata town Saturday, itself ravaged by a \$2,000,000 fire Monday.

The clothes and foodstuffs were part of a stream of gifts sent to Rimouski from all parts of the nation following the great fire there last week-end.

Some houses were right off their foundations, toppled over.

I think the worst thing, though, was an old man near the station. He was living in his loft—no stock, no nothing. But he wasn't leaving.

He said: "This is all I've got. I guess he's too old to start over."

Mayor Emilien Morin, with tears streaming down his cheeks, sent a telegram of thanks to Rimouski authorities for their act of generosity.

## Elevator Agents Locate Shelters

Within 24 hours of the first radio broadcast sent by the North-West Line Elevators association, to country elevator agents located in the dry areas of Manitoba, seeking living accommodation for flood evacuees of the Red River valley area, housing had been arranged for 852 persons, Cecil Lamont, president of the association, said Saturday.

Accommodation had been arranged for 60 persons at Miami; 50 at Decker; 31 at Rose Isle; 100 at Kelwood; 300 at Rosburn; 75 at Cardale; 101 at Lyleton; 60 at Waskada and 75 at Russell.

Evacuees were asked to come prepared to assist in looking after themselves, and to bring bedding, if possible.

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## Message From Morton To Be Read By Clergy

Clergy in all Winnipeg churches Sunday will read a message from Brig. R. E. A. Morton, directing officer of flood control, asking congregations to work and pray for relief from southern Manitoba's devastating flood.

"The floods are raging at our very doors today," the message reads. "There is no sign of any diminution yet. In fact, we may have even more dangerous, higher water before a recession sets in."

There is vital work in flood defence requiring to be done by every able-bodied man and woman.

"Day and night, good citizens are now engaged in this work, often in addition to their normal business or trade. There are not enough service men or equipment to begin to carry out the flood tasks necessary."

"Conditions of life are becoming more difficult, and as the floods spread they will worsen."

Selkirk Association

Holds Annual Meeting

The Selkirk Game and Fish association held its annual meeting in the Community Hall Friday evening. Officers elected were: Jim Anderson, president, and Kenneth Davidson, vice-president.

Executive members elected were: A. Johnson, J. Wani, J. Myktynk, Selkirk; J. Neave, Lockport; C. Andrews, East Selkirk; B. Melvor, Pegasus; E. Foster, Petersburg; G. Hygaard, Cloverdale; J. Stevens, Clandeboye; J. McRae, Meadowdale.

Casey Hartvelt, the retiring president, presided. Clifford Morrison was master of ceremonies and led in a sing-song. Films were shown.

## Governor General Expected Sunday

Canada's governor-general, Viscount Alexander of Tunis, will make an informal inspection of Winnipeg's flood battle Sunday.

The governor-general is expected to arrive in the city Sunday morning by train from Kananora. He will tour the dikes and fly over the flood-stricken southern Manitoba area in a helicopter to view the damage. During the afternoon, he will hold a press conference.

Following his visit to Winnipeg, Viscount Alexander will leave for an official tour of western Canada.



Several sisters of the Grey Nuns of Montreal order are among the skeleton staff which remained to keep St. Boniface sanatorium in order, after the patients and main staff had been evacuated. Here, a group of them add sandbags to the dike which is still keeping the flood waters at bay. (More pictures of the marooned institution on page 18.)

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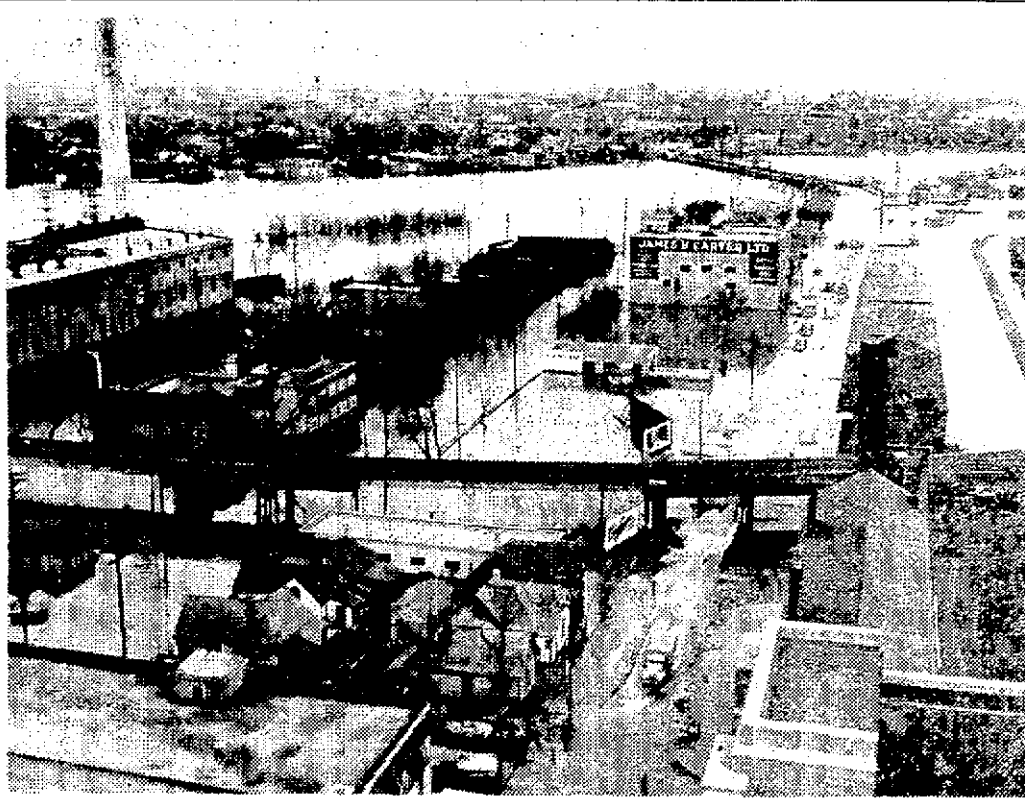
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One of the top priority jobs being undertaken by city engineers Saturday was the laying of a gravel ramp along the approaches to the Provencher avenue bridge in an attempt to open the crossing. Looking east along Water avenue, the amount of inundated street, is shown here. At the extreme left is the water-surrounded Winnipeg Electric company Mill street power station, another priority task.



Two evacuations are under way in flood-damaged Winnipeg, one into city and an even more staggering movement out. Hundreds are stopping only long enough to be clothed and fed, then with other refugees they're being loaded on trains and buses in a mass removal to other communities beyond the flood zone and points further east.

## Sunny And Warmer Forecast For Sunday

A promise of sunny and slightly warmer weather was held out to flood-ridden Manitoba for the week-end.

Weather forecasters predicted the only showers would fall well to the north of Winnipeg, in the vicinity of the mouth of the Red river, and authorities said the flood situation should not be affected.

Temperatures in Winnipeg are expected to reach 70 degrees, Saturday, to make it the warmest day of the year so far.



# RED 'LEVELLING OFF'

## Valley Floods Critical

Red river valley floods continued in a critical state Sunday.

A valley survey by the Free Press and an official statement by a government spokesman left no doubt of this.

"Continued rise of the Red river at Emerson in the past 24 hours... (makes it)... impossible to predict when the crest of the river would hit Winnipeg because of the continued rise to the south," D. M. Stephens, provincial deputy minister of mines and resources, said at a press conference.

On-the-spot observers stated the flood levels rose at Letellier, Morris, St. Jean Baptiste.

As soon as there is a drop at Emerson, Mr. Stephens said, the engineers will be able to give a "fair idea" of when the crest will pass north to Winnipeg.

As it does, each of the flooded towns in its way will be seeing the beginning of the end of their troubles.

**Two Dangers**  
The deputy minister named two "great dangers" of the next two weeks that applied to the valley towns as well as the provincial capital.

1. Heavy rains and wind.

2. A danger period following the passing of the final crest.

Last week's rain was responsible for the four-foot rise in the river—even with good weather and no sudden rise, the situation would remain critical for some time but there was a fair chance the river might be contained, he added.

After the crest there would be a levelling-off and perhaps a slight drop. This was a second danger point as there would be tendency to relax work on dikes at the very time it would most be needed.

**Dikes Important**  
The deputy minister said that even with a drop in the river there was a danger of heavy dikes sinking and settling below their present levels.

At the same time, a survey that extended from Winnipeg to the Duck Mountains in north-western Manitoba, indicated, but did not prove, that as yet the Assiniboine has no plans to invade the Red with further flood waters.

Heavy run-offs had been predicted that would swell the Souris and Assiniboine and also the already bursting Red.

But reports from reserve officials, engineers and others on an eye on the mountain snowfall and Assiniboine levels hardly bore these out.

Complicating a definite forecast were recorded increases

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## Claxton Sees For Himself; Lauds Effort

Hon. Brooke Claxton, minister of national defence, Sunday inspected flooded areas of Greater Winnipeg before holding a conference with Canada's army, navy and air force chiefs.

"Discussed at the parley were further steps which might be taken by the services in combatting the floods."

Mr. Claxton explained he was not here at the request of the provincial government or to formulate federal aid measures, but merely to see the situation first-hand and to express my personal appreciation for the work being done by service personnel.

The minister said he was "greatly impressed" by his incoming flight over the flood scene. "One has to see it in this way to appreciate the miracle of human effort being put into it."

The R.C.A.F. North Star carrying Mr. Claxton and his party flew along the Minnesota-Manitoba boundary to Emerson and on the Red river to Lake Winnipeg before setting down at Stevenson field Saturday.

**Members Of Party**  
With him was Lt.-Gen. Charles G. Foulkes, chief of the general staff; Maj.-Gen. F. F. Worthington, co-ordinator of civil defence; and David Mansur, president of Central Mortgage and Housing corporation.

On his arrival Mr. Claxton met with Brig. R. E. A. Morton, director of flood control, Hon. Stuart Garson, minister of justice, and flood officials.

Sunday, with the arrival of Air Marshal W. A. Curtis, chief of air staff, Mr. Claxton held a top-level conference of the three services. Also participating was Gen. Foulkes and Vice-Admiral H. T. W. Grant, chief of naval staff, who has been here several days.

Mr. Claxton will return to Ottawa tonight.



Flood waters of the Red river scored a major victory early Saturday when they forced the civilian volunteer and army workers shown here, to give up their battle to reopen Norwood bridge, a key link between Winnipeg and St. Boniface. This picture of the flood-fighters knee deep in water plugging the dike was taken shortly before Brigadier O. M. M. Kay announced that the uneven struggle at this point was being given up.

## Alexander In Winnipeg; To Inspect Flood Area

Informality was the order of the day when Viscount Alexander of Tunis, governor-general of Canada, arrived at the Canadian Pacific railway station Sunday, for a one-day inspection tour of the city.

Wearing civies—a grey pin-striped suit, and brown fedora—Viscount Alexander returned the salute of Group Captain G. H. Sellers, as he stepped off the train.

**Aide For Trip**  
Group-Captain Sellers will be his aide on the trip through the flood area. Travelling with Viscount Alexander was Flight Lieutenant A. A. Sherlock, Toronto.

The governor-general spent some minutes on the platform, chatting with former councillor J. H. Graham and his brother, J. M. Graham, whom he knew in North

**Brandon Asks For More—'We're Ready'**  
BRANDON, May 14 (Special)—Colonel Sid McLennan, officer commanding the 26th Field Regiment here, has a beef.

"We've only had 400-odd sent out here from the flood-stricken capital so far, and we have more than 1,000 additional beds set up and arrangements completed to handle many more," Col. McLennan told the Free Press.

"Brandon residents have offered their cottages at Clear Lake for use of evacuees, and have even gone up personally to prepare them for the influx," Col. McLennan said.

## Exodus Disappointing; Officials Urge Haste

Flood control authorities expressed disappointment Sunday over the number of people who have moved out of Winnipeg since the order for partial evacuation was issued. They urged that the exodus be stepped up.

During Friday and Saturday 28,000 persons left the city according to estimates made by flood control headquarters. On Friday 14,920 travelled out of Winnipeg by rail, air, bus and private car. Saturday the total was 13,072.

"The figures are disappointing and we would like to see more move away from the city," Brig. R. E. A. Morton, director of flood control and relief told a press conference Sunday morning.

The authorities declined to estimate the total number who have been moved out of their homes by the flood and who are now living in temporary accommodation in other parts of Manitoba and other provinces. Best guess is that the total exceeds 70,000 persons for the past week. It may reach one-third the city's population by early next week.

**Appeal By Officials**  
Both Premier D. L. Campbell and Brig. Morton have urged that there be "no let-up in the exodus." The mass movement was continuing Sunday with railway depots, bus terminals and the airport crowded

**TREE-LIFT**

**Five Jeepsters Turn Tarzan**

Five soldiers took to trees, telephone poles and a roof-top at 8 a.m. Sunday when their amphibious jeep began leaking, stalled and sank in the Riverview district.

The man were going to King George hospital to pick up a generator for an iron lung, one report said, when the mishap occurred. Two climbed poles, the fifth scrambled up trees, and the fifth made his way to a roof. They were rescued three hours later by a fire department patrol boat, according to city police.

They apparently suffered nothing worse than a soaking.

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## Might Not Go Above 31 Feet Says Hurst

Flood experts Sunday expressed optimism over the slow rise of the Red river in the past 24 hours. At 11 a.m. Sunday the level had stood at 30.2 feet above datum for 14 hours. D. M. Stephens, provincial deputy minister of mines and natural resources said Sunday at a press conference that the Red river was "levelling off" in the Greater Winnipeg area.

"But, we are not saying it has reached its crest," he added.

## Traffic Arteries

LATEST REPORTS

**Bridges**

ELM PARK—Closed, barricaded, condemned and weighted with ballast.

LOUISE—Open to trucks and emergency vehicles only; diking in progress between bridge and subway on Higgins avenue.

MAIN—Closed and barricaded.

MARION-SEINE—Ramped; open to all traffic; under military control.

MARYLAND—Open to all traffic; water on south approach; diking and pumping in progress.

NORWOOD—Closed to all but amphibious vehicles.

OSBORNE—Open to all traffic; diking and pumping at south approach.

PROVENCHER—Gravelled ramp nearing completion; opening to traffic Sunday.

PROVENCHER-SEINE—Closed.

REDWOOD—Open to all traffic.

ST. JAMES—Open to all traffic.

ELLICE AVENUE (Omand's creek)—Open to all traffic.

**Subways**

ANNABELLA—Closed and barricaded.

ARLINGTON—Open to all traffic, but rough.

BERGEN OUT-OF—By-pass open to essential traffic; military checking all vehicles.

ELGIN—High water; impassable to cars; trucks may get through.

HIGGINS-LOUISE—Open to emergency traffic; water down slightly.

MUPHILLIPS—Closed and barricaded.

MAUD-HIGGINS—Open to all traffic; two or three inches of water; pumping.

OSBORNE—Closed and barricaded; detours possible.

PEMBINA—Closed and barricaded; by-pass open to two-way traffic.

ROSS—High water; impassable to cars; trucks may get through.

ST. JAMES—Open to emergency traffic; holes in east lane; pumps holding water level.

SHERBROOK—Closed and barricaded.

TECUMSEH—High water; impassable to cars; trucks may get through.

**Streets and Avenues**

ARCHIBALD—Open to all traffic; water again at Mission.

ASSINIBOINE—Flooded between Fort and Kennedy.

BALMORAL—Flooded from Whitehall to Broadway.

BEAL—Flooded from Main to Wood.

BROADWAY—Flooded between Osborne and Colony; diked at Osborne.

EASTGATE—Flooded.

DUNSMUIR—Flooded from Mayfair to River avenue.

HARKNESS—Flooded from Mayfair to Stradbrook; closed.

HUGO—Flooded between Corydon and Wellington crescent.

JESSIE—Flooded at Osborne intersection.

JURILEE—Flooded from Riverside to Daly; passable.

MAYFAIR—Flooded from Main to Harkness; closed.

MIDDLEGATE—Flooded.

OSBORNE—Flooded but passable between Broadway and point halfway to Whitehall.

PALMERSTON—Flooded from Wolsely to Home.

PARKER—Rough but passable from Pembina highway to Cambridge.

RIVER AVENUE—Flooded from Main to Wood; barricaded.

**District Highways**

NORTH WINNIPEG—Area bounded by Red river on east, St. Cross on west, city limits on north and Atlantic on south flooded; water extends along many streets intersecting St. Cross and west of that street; area barricaded.

POINT DOUGLAS—Area bounded by Canadian Pacific railway tracks on south, Higgins on east, Red river on north and Grove on west flooded; Sutherland open from Main to Euclid; ramp at Winnipeg Electric company gas works.

RIVERVIEW—Area bounded by Red river on north, south and east, and generally in line with Hwy. street on west flooded.

ELMWOOD—Area bounded by Hespeler on south, Beaulieu on east and Red river on west flooded and closed to all but emergency traffic and residents not yet evacuated; Harrison from Kelvin to Glenwood crescent closed to all but emergency and resident traffic.

BUSINESS AND WHOLESALE—Area bounded by and including Water, Victoria, Bannatyne and Red river, including Mill street, flooded; flooding along Notre Dame east, Portage east, Lombard; McDermott barricaded between Rorie and Main; pumping at Canora to Evanson; Wolsely flooded from Newman to Raglan road; some intersecting streets partly flooded.

ARMSTRONG'S POINT—All streets flooded.

**Public Service**

At the request of flood control authorities, the Winnipeg Free Press is again publishing this special Sunday flood edition to assist the public in information regarding flood conditions.

This special edition is being distributed free of charge in the Greater Winnipeg district only.

**Flood Finance Talks Take Place Tonight**

First steps toward untangling of flood finances will be taken Sunday evening when city representatives meet with Premier D. L. Campbell and Hon. Stuart Garson, federal minister of justice.

The cost of flood defences, most of which has been born by the city of Winnipeg, has been reported as "running into millions."

"We hope we can get this straightened out tonight," declared Alderman C. E. Simonite, the city's finance committee chairman, Sunday.

## Canada-Wide Flood Relief Plea Tonight

The voice of Manitoba will be heard on every radio station across Canada Sunday night on a special flood relief appeal.

The programme—will carry the voices of provincial and municipal leaders, endorsing the Manitoba Flood Relief campaign to help relieve distress caused by ravages of the Red river.

Governor-General Viscount Alexander of Tunis, governor-general of Canada, has been invited to appear on the programme, the Canadian Broadcasting Corporation said.

Main speakers will be Brig. R. E. A. Morton, flood control director, and Chief Justice E. K. Williams of court of king's bench, who will describe the purpose of the relief fund.

Premier D. L. Campbell and Mayor Garnet Coulter of Winnipeg, representing province and city respectively, will speak also.

**Win Best Drama Plaque**  
CALGARY, May 14 (CP)—The Dominion Drama festival plaque for the best French play went to Le Cercle Moliere from St. Boniface. The group presented the Moliere comedy L'Avare.

Winnipeg's most important transportation link with St. Boniface was restored for use Sunday with opening of Provencher bridge.

Except for light showers predicted for Sunday afternoon, the general weather outlook is for sunny skies and warm temperatures.

W. D. Hurst, city engineer, predicted the river might not even reach 31 feet.

"This is the best sign we have seen yet," Mr. Hurst declared at a flood control meeting Sunday.

Over 13,000 persons were evacuated from Greater Winnipeg Saturday, officials said.

Total number leaving Friday and Saturday was 28,000.

No cases of typhoid have yet been reported.

The one suspected case was diagnosed—as "Red river diarrhoea."

army flood control said Sunday.

The city's flood control committee Sunday set up a Winnipeg Relief and Rehabilitation committee to control the rehabilitation of citizens during the post-flood period.

"We must coordinate medical, electrical, water, and sanitary engineering during the restoration period," declared W. D. Hurst, city engineer and chairman of the flood control committee.

One of the biggest initial problems during the rehabilitation, the committee was told, will be the clearing of blocked sewers. Other rehabilitation jobs will include the pumping-out and washing-down of residential basements.

It was pointed out at the meeting that some form of police control will have to be organized to prevent people from returning too early to their homes.

Here are the other highlights of the flood control meeting:

1. The power situation was described as being completely under control.

"We are down to the simple process of controlling and sealing breaks. We have got to the point where we can almost forget the power situation," declared both E. V. Calton, chief engineer for the Winnipeg Electric, and J. W. Sanger, city hydro manager.

**Adds Comment**  
Mr. Sanger added that his only problem was with local cable breaks, particularly in the Main street to Donald street, Portage avenue to York avenue area.

2. Dr. M. S. Loughhead, medical officer, reported that some 70,000 citizens have received inoculations for typhoid up to Saturday night.

Dr. Loughhead emphasized that there was "not much prospect of typhoid here."

He also reported that 500 aged and infirm people, most of them stretcher cases, have been evacuated from the city by special trains and planes.

The flood control committee, at Dr. Loughhead's suggestion, ordered several trucks released from hauling duties for garbage collection purposes.

3. It was agreed that the morale of Winnipeggers would be greatly improved if the theatres were allowed to be open. The flood control committee decided to take the necessary action.

4. Mayor Garnet Coulter, Ald. C. E. Simonite will, at the authorization of the committee, fly over the province's flooded areas on a reconnaissance tour.

5. Priority traffic will be allowed on the Provencher bridge by Sunday night, A. J. Taunton, deputy city engineer, informed the committee.

6. Military authorities will be urged by the city flood control committee to take steps to evacuate the area bounded by Brazier, Kelvin, Johnson, and Midwinter in Elmwood.

7. The city at large "will have

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**Temperatures**

Temperature readings during the 24-hour period ending at 6:30 a.m. Sunday

Location	Min.	Max.	Precip.
Vancouver	48	60	
Calgary	34	60	
Edmonton	33	55	
Swift Current	37	66	Tr.
Saskatoon	32	63	.02
Regina	38	78	
Brandon	38	83	
Winnipeg	43	64	.58
Troun	38	78	
Churchill	17	22	Tr.
Fort William	34	55	.03
Fortuna	37	57	.07
Montreal	37	57	.24
Halifax	39	55	.00



# DUKW Trip Spells Adventure For Iron Lung Patients

## Sea Gulls Trail 'Mercy Ship'; Eskimos See 'Too Much Water'

A last-ditch stand in the King George hospital turned into a "sort of adventure" for two iron lung patients Saturday.

Two navy DUKWS ferried Miss Inez Woolam and Miss Lena Barker, the Iron Lung girls, from the water-isolated hospital. Strapped beside the two girls in the bulky amphibious vehicles were their sole links with life—the iron lungs without which they could not live more than a few hours.

With them came a wheelchair patient, Mrs. Pearl Kilbray of Winnipeg, nine Eskimos and the remaining hospital staff. The Eskimos had been at the King George since they were flown from Chesterfield inlet a full year ago for polio treatment.

"Too much water," complained the black-eyed northern English but they have picked up that much flood barrier. They had been literally at sea for a week, since a dike break forced the evacuation of most of the hospital's inmates one cold dawn.

From the makeshift dock on Oakwood avenue, the DUKWS started on their rescue mission. Two motor boats and six rowboats were tied up. One of them, the Floating Kidney, must have been named in a flash of pre-flood intuition.

**Rooftops Showing**  
Well-aligned rows of houses marked out the amphibians' course to the hospital at the foot of Morley avenue. As it travelled the four blocks, the water deepened. Near the dock, it lapped around basement windows. Further along, the river surge had invaded front doors. Near the hospital, it had left little but rooftops showing in front of the hospital, markers reached out of the brown sea. There was an empty oil drum to indicate where a car was marooned. A pole sporting a handkerchief marked another. A sign bus stop, seven feet high, just managed to break the surface.

The gulls wheeled overhead and took up their perennial trail in the DUKWS' wake.

On the ramp at the door of the King George stood the hip-booted hospital manager, John McIntyre. Behind him, the ramp led to the first floor staircase. A barrel and scraps of paper floated down the hall.

**Barn Lanterns**  
At the top of the wide staircase stood an operating table with two barn lanterns on it. Cartons of dressings, towels, an outboard motor, sterilizing equipment, were stacked behind it.

Eight of the Eskimos waited patiently on the beds. They wore parkas with name tags around their necks. Lungs, a small boy sporting blue mittens, pushed a chair back and forth, back and forth. He is learning to walk again after his long fight with polio.

A large paper bag, inflated, floated beneath the window like a balloon. The Eskimos pointed to it and chuckled.

"The lack of heat here seems to bother the Eskimos more than it has bothered us," said Miss Mary Shepherd, superintendent of nurses.

"We've watched the water rise at the windows but I can't really say that I've been a bit frightened," said Mrs. Kilbray. "Leaving by boat will be an adventure. After all, I haven't had one in a long time. I've been here a whole year."

The 600-pound iron lungs were strapped into the DUKWS. Miss Woolam and Miss Barker were put aboard on stretchers.

**Real Boat Ride**  
Both girls were smiling, enjoying a taste of fresh air and sunshine. A "real boat ride" was more a thrill than a hazard after 14 years in an iron lung for Miss Woolam and 11 for Miss Barker.

"Well, this is one way to get to meet the sea," one of the girls told Miss Helen Wilson, matron of Deer Lodge hospital, after they were settled in their new quarters.

In charge of the evacuation were Lieut. R. Hayward, of Duncan, B.C.; Dr. J. L. Downey, medical director of the King George hospital; Surg. Lieut.-Col. Robert McNeil, principal medical officer of H.M.C.S. Chipawa, and Sub-Lieut. Edward Wilson.

## Striking Power Is Seen As Stop To Red March

NEW YORK, May 13 (RUP)—The military forces of the free world must achieve such striking power that Russia will not dare begin invading free nations, Paul G. Hoffman said Saturday.

The Economic Co-operation Administration in a speech before the United States conference of mayors, said the current cold war was being fought on four fronts—military, economic, political and informational.

On the first front, he said, the military had a vital role in seeing to it that the Red army did not march against its neighbors.

On the economic front, he added, ECA through the Marshall plan

had helped western Europe re-establish itself on a sound and vigorous footing.

"On the informational front," Mr. Hoffman said, "we have fought lying propaganda of the Communists in each western European country with the truth and nothing but the truth."

On the political front, Mr. Hoffman said, Communism met with sharp reverses in all elections held in western Europe during the last year. The Kremlin, he added, was stopped cold in western Europe since ERP aid started two years ago.

**Some Battles**

"Yes, we have won some battles in western Europe, but we haven't won the cold war," Mr. Hoffman told the conference. "To accomplish that goal Europe with our help must continue to build up production in western Europe, and in addition must bring the dollar gap to manageable proportions, and make substantial progress toward integrating the western European economy."

## Air Lines Flies Women, Children To North Haven

Canadian Pacific Air lines base at Winnipeg, operating a volunteer flood relief service on a 24-hour basis throughout the emergency, is not only bringing in food, bedding and pumps, but is evacuating passengers on call to the north.

Passenger evacuation is being carried on by routine flights daily and already 37 women and 35 children have been evacuated by Canadian Pacific Air lines from Winnipeg to Elin Flon, Dauphin, The Pas and Red Lake.

## Edmonton Offers Hospital Space

EDMONTON, May 14 (CP)—If the Manitoba flood situation becomes much worse Alberta hospitals will likely be asked to accommodate 500 to 1,000 Winnipeg patients," Dr. W. W. Cross, health minister, said Saturday.

About 100 ex-servicemen from Deer Lodge hospital at Winnipeg are to be moved shortly to Edmonton's university hospital.

Three hundred beds are being made available immediately in Alberta hospitals for Winnipeg patients.

The Alberta government will guarantee payment of the Manitoba patients' bills in hospitals they are moved to in the province, Dr. Cross said.

The health minister said accommodation likely will be found for the patients in hospitals at Vegreville, Vermilion, Manville, Edmonton, Wetaskiwin, Camrose, Red Deer, Olds, Lacombe, Ponoka, Medicine Hat, Calgary, Oyen, Hanna and Drumheller.

## Beausejour Making School Arrangements

Arrangements have been made at Beausejour for a school for children from flood areas who are billeted in the town.

This school has been set up in St. Mary's parish hall under a committee headed by Mayor Oscar Russell with the co-operation of B. Warkentin, inspector, and J. C. Ichniuk, Great-West Life agent, at the Beausejour school board.

W. Horodyski, chairman of the board, has been assured that the regular departmental grant will be paid by the department of education and that further assistance would be forthcoming from the department.

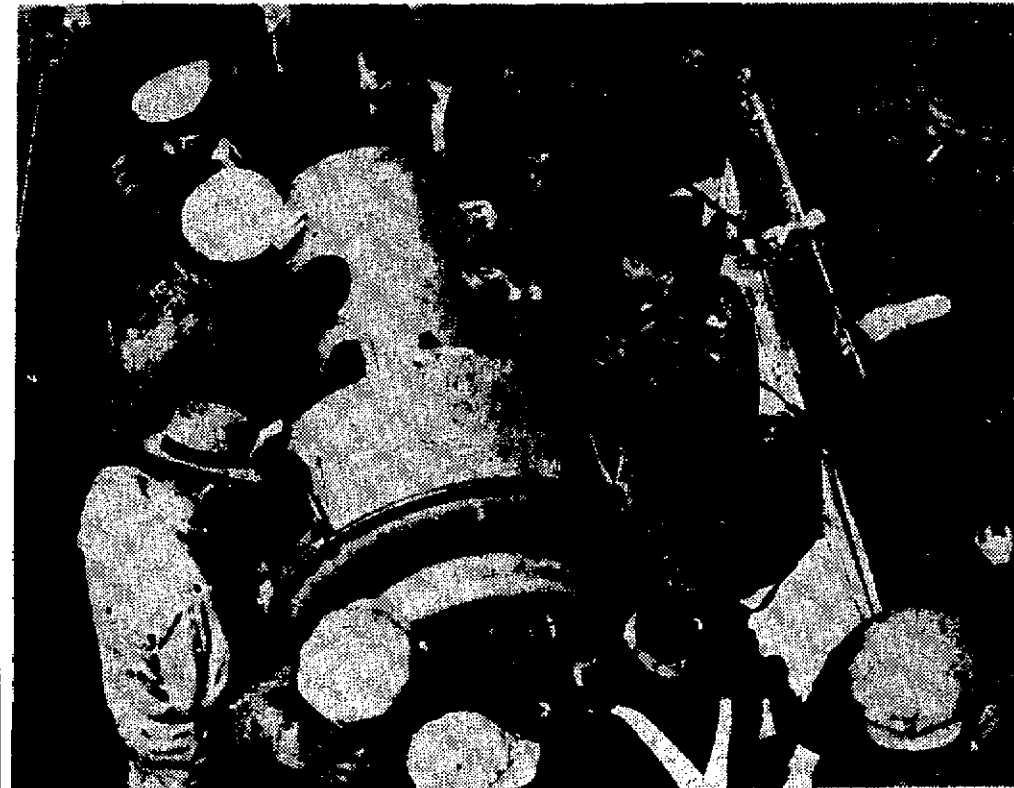
Miss Olivier, a former teacher from St. Norbert, one of the evacuees, has volunteered to teach the children. Arrangements are being made to use the Greek Catholic parish hall should present facilities not be sufficient to accommodate all the children.

## DUFFERIN HOME SCHOOL OFF

The Dufferin Home and School association has cancelled the general meeting for Tuesday.



A flood shows no favor—not even to the helpless. Miss Inez Woolam lies aboard a Royal Canadian Navy amphibious DUKW, ready for the move from the King George hospital in the flooded Riverview district to the Deer Lodge hospital. Along with Miss Woolam went the iron lung in which she has had to spend most of the last 13 years. Also evacuated Saturday were the few other patients, including nine polio-stricken Eskimos, and hospital staff who had remained behind after the general movement from the hospital a week ago.



Naval personnel load a 600-pound iron lung into an amphibious DUKW at the King George hospital as the few remaining patients and staff members are taken to safety at the Deer Lodge hospital. Two iron lung patients—Miss Inez Woolam and Miss Lena Barker—were among those moved Saturday. An early morning dike break forced evacuation of most of the hospital's patients a week earlier.

## Premier Assures Army Full Power If Needed

Brig. R. E. A. Morton, director of flood relief, has been assured that he "would be granted any authority he might require at any time" to fight the flood and protect life and property, Premier D. L. Campbell, said Saturday night in a radio broadcast over a network of Manitoba radio stations.

The emergency planning committee under the direction of Brig. R. E. A. Morton has completed operational plans to meet any eventualities in Winnipeg, even a general evacuation, said the premier.

It was the hope of Brig. Morton and his staff that these plans would never have to be put into effect, he added.

"The plans provide for stockpiles of food, gasoline and other vital supplies being marshalled at strategic points on high ground and away from danger areas," said the premier. "These preparations are being made without affecting the normal supply of the city; consequently no shortage will occur."

The flood control authorities had been pleased at the response to their request for evacuation of the city by women, children and elderly people. But they would like the number leaving to be even greater. They strongly urged that there be no let-up in the exodus, Premier Campbell declared.

**Pays Tribute**  
He paid tribute to the women who had voluntarily departed the city leaving their homes on such short notice. He also complimented the women who were staying behind and were matching the men in working long hours at a variety of tasks essential to the flood fight.

The Manitoba cabinet and Hon. Stuart S. Carson, federal minister of justice met Saturday. They discussed the establishment of a federal-provincial commission to deal with financial and other problems that will arise as the waters begin to recede.

The scope and authority of the proposed commission were considered. The details would be placed before the federal cabinet at Ottawa by Mr. Carson, said Premier Campbell.

At the meeting Saturday a committee of the cabinet consisting of Premier Campbell, Hon. Ivan Schultz, minister of health, Hon. C. Rhodes Smith, minister of education, Hon. Charles Greenlay, minister of labor and Hon. Charles Bell, minister of agriculture, was set up. This committee will start immediately to develop plans which must be implemented once the flood waters start to lower, the premier said.

He reviewed the developments in the flood fight up to Saturday night. The Norwood bridge as a traffic artery was lost when the pressure against the dikes at the north end became too great. At all other points the workers kept ahead of the rising waters.

The military flood control authorities decided that the plan to pump water from the north approaches to the bridge might have caused a break in the dike, loosening a rush of water against many buildings. This would have caused serious property damage and perhaps loss of life. The authorities decided it was better to allow a gradual flooding of the area and the evacuation of all residents was accordingly ordered.

**Many Leaders**  
Premier Campbell complimented Brig. Malone and the members of

## FLOOD GAUGES Sticks, Paint Lines Tab River Levels

Popular is the man with his own flood gauge.

These days it makes the very best over-the-back-fence back-chalk.

What used to be "How are your petunias doing?" has now become "How high'd she go last night?"

There are probably some hundreds such home-brow flood gauges throughout the whole of Greater Winnipeg—most of them just sticks stuck in water-covered backyards. Some residents are keeping check with a paint-line on the inside wall of flooded basements.

Water level—up or down—makes top neighborhood news these days.

## Service Restored From Elm Creek To Plum Coulee

The Canadian Pacific railway will resume service over its Carman subdivision from Elm Creek to Plum Coulee Monday after a week in which trains had to be sent around a circuitous alternate route because of soft track.

This will mean much quicker service to such points as La Riviere, Morden and others which could be reached before only on the way back from Napinka.

The test for the Carman subdivision was Saturday night when the Regina mixed train used it in coming into Winnipeg.

Starting Monday trains 121 and 122 between Winnipeg and Napinka and trains 123 and 124 between Winnipeg and Lyleton will use this route. The track between Elm Creek and Plum Coulee—40 miles of it—is itself an alternate route put into schedule when Morris tracks were washed out.

Meanwhile, a 35-car train of empty passenger cars from the west arrived in Winnipeg late Saturday night to be added to the reserve being built up here by the company.

There were 14 extra passenger cars—most of them sleepers—on transcontinental trains out of Winnipeg Friday night east and west.

Two cars of hay for stock on the Emerson branch of the Canadian Pacific railway arrived from Brandon Saturday night.

## Grand Beach Facilities Include Water Supply

Here is information for the cottage owners of Grand Beach. The following information comes from the Canadian National railways:

The domestic water supply has been turned on, public toilets are now in operation, the grocery store has been opened, street lighting will be turned on Monday, lunch counter service will commence Monday and the Grand Beach hotel will open Monday. Efforts are being made to secure a doctor who will, in addition to his normal services, also give inoculations. There is a train service daily leaving from the Canadian National depot at 1 p.m. (CDT).

## Plans Laid For Action If River Goes To 32.5

Plans have been completed by the emergency planning committee under Brig. R. S. Malone to cope with conditions if the Red rises another two and a quarter feet, to 32.5 feet above datum.

At that point, it is expected the plans, drawn up by a military-civilian committee, will be initiated. If the level reaches the 32.5 mark, sections of the downtown area of Winnipeg will be inundated as well as large areas south of the Assiniboine and further districts along the east bank of the Red river.

Mass evacuation of further city areas would result and public services would probably be seriously disrupted.

**Nine Zones**

The disaster plan, outlined by Brig. Malone, divides Greater Winnipeg into nine zones. Zone commanders and headquarters for the operation have already been chosen.

Under the scheme, food depots, canteens and emergency shelters would be established outside the line of the 1826 flood which inundated an area from the Red to two miles west of Portage avenue and Main street and as far on the eastern bank.

Food and care for evacuees will be attended to by women's organizations in the "safe" zones beyond the 1826 mark. Continuing aid will also be given by the Red Cross and other agencies.

Plans have been completed to bring trainloads of food to the safe zones and to mobilize trucks for transporting civilians and supplies.

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Also provided for is assistance to the two Winnipeg daily newspapers to keep them operating as long as possible in their present plants.

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If one plant goes, a joint paper would be turned out by the other. If the second building also becomes untenable, plans have been made to print a joint newspaper in Saskatoon. The paper would be prepared in about four days, the military authorities feel it is absolutely essential for Winnipeg to have newspapers.

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Plans are also going to be prepared for "Operation Rainbow." This is a programme for the return of evacuees to the city and steps which will be taken to assist in their rehabilitation and in the restoration of Greater Winnipeg.

## Special Phone Numbers

Special telephone numbers have been established to facilitate flood control.

Civilians are advised that officials will not accept calls that are not of an emergency nature. The numbers are as follows:

320 — is the new number for Red Cross flood relief operators now centred in the basement of the Civic auditorium.

34 247 — For Transportation.

907 499, 935 827 and 935 727 — Army Headquarters. Calls for assistance in building dikes, requests for sandbags or other assistance should not be put through Army headquarters number in the phone book. Calling this number direct will save delay and eliminate confusion.

848 121 — City Hydro Calls off of service or requests for temporary service. The City Hydro has an emergency staff to handle electric light service only.

722 551 — Red Cross. Emergency passes, gasoline demand tickets, cards has already taken place, for use if required.

934 521 — Exchange Installed by City Engineer's department Saturday to deal with problems involving household individual flood defence programmes, basement protection, dike construction and other engineering flood measures.

849 281 and 849,232 — For evacuees or persons needing emergency housing only.

934 934 and 932 561 — For those on high ground who can provide accommodation. Give numbers you can accommodate.

932 561 — Central Volunteer Bureau, to look after feeding of some relief workers.

502 413 — Registry for accommodation, of East Kildonan residents.

16 255 — Fort Garry typhoid inoculations.

204 565 — St. Vital typhoid inoculations.

105 — City police flood service extension.

204 043 — St. Vital health unit, emergency aid such as food, clothing or boats.

504 846 — Army headquarters on Kildonan drive, East Kildonan.

504 464 — Canteen headquarters and navy communications centre, on Leighton avenue near Kildonan drive.

62 375 — Central flood headquarters in St. James' emergency calls — offers of pumps to the flood committee and all calls directed to the municipal engineer.

61 767 — Canteen headquarters on Assiniboine avenue.

935 521 — Central Volunteer bureau. Registration of homes for those willing to accommodate evacuees and registration of those who have storage space for furniture and the like. Sheds, barns, warehouse space.

43 316 — Earl Grey community club. All flood workers in this district should report to the clubhouse for duty. The clubhouse is the information centre to aid in flood relief. The ladies' auxiliary are providing food for all flood workers. Phone is manned 24 hours a day.

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## Flooded City Poor Spot For Mother's Day

Today is Mother's Day — traditionally a day of leisure set aside for those hard-working, uncomplaining people who are taken for granted the rest of the year. There will be no respite, however, for Winnipeg mothers who are taking their full share in the battle against rising flood waters.

Thousands of them have faced the painful task of deciding whether to remain with their husbands and try to save their homes, or to evacuate with their children to a safer part of the province.

Other prairie cities have remembered Winnipeg's mothers — at least two held tag days Saturday to raise money especially for them.

Although Winnipeg church services paid their customary tribute to mothers, most were devoted to prayers for relief in the disaster. And the traditional wearing of red or white carnations has been largely overlooked because of the flood.

Mothers did not allow their special day to interrupt their volunteer work for the Red Cross and other relief organizations. They continued to make sandwiches, distribute coffee and help fill sandbags.

One Winnipeg mother reported she'd received four boxes of chocolates — "but they have already been donated to one of the flood relief canteens." — This is the spirit in which a flood-besieged city marked its Mother's Day.

## 'Back-Tracking,' Run-Around, Gets Trains Through

Among the more unusual railroad operations of the flood — to a layman that is — is the Canadian Pacific special from Winnipeg to Dominion City daily except Sunday.

The locomotive backs down the 56 miles to Dominion City on the edge of the badly flooded track because there is no turnaround at Dominion City.

Then the locomotive runs around its train, the sidings allow an engine but not a train to turn — and runs right-way-round coming back into Winnipeg.

Getting supplies to Emerson is a combined operation for the train backs up to a dock built at trackside by Red Cross and boats bring passengers and freight there, take passengers and goods by boat over to Emerson station. This train leaves Winnipeg at 11:05 p.m. standard time (12:05 CDT) from the station.

**ELMWOOD CHURCH**  
There will be no services in King Memorial United church, Elmwood, Sunday. The minister, Rev. H. S. Dodgson, asks that members of the congregation attend church wherever they are located.

203 535 — Norwood evacuation centre.

208 542 — Cross headquarters.

933 736 & 934 338 — Salvation Army emergency relief centre.

933 324 — Salvation Army bureau for reuniting evacuees with their relatives.

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Wards and corridors in the Shriners' Hospital for Crippled Children are almost empty now. Flood waters from the Assiniboine river behind Wellington crescent have forced removal of most of the child patients. Here a baby is carried out of the threatened building, to be sent to safety in Regina. Some of the children have been taken to the Red Cross lodge at Deer Lodge hospital which is caring as well for patients from the Children's hospital. The youngsters who were fit enough were sent to their homes.



## 200 More Leave City Institutions For Other Points

More than 200 patients were evacuated by air and rail from Winnipeg, Saturday, it was reported by the Red Cross, Sunday morning.

The number included: 21 chronic cases from Deer Lodge hospital sent by air to Fort William; 15 invalids from the St. Boniface Old Folks' home sent by air to Moose Jaw; 100 patients from Deer Lodge hospital sent over the Canadian Pacific railway to Regina and Calgary; and 78 cases including four stretcher cases from the General hospital sent to Saskatoon over the Canadian National railways.

A staff of nurses to care for the evacuees during the trip accompanied them, and the patients will be looked after by local Red Cross organizations upon arrival.

Saturday night, the chairman of the Red Cross national executive, Leopold Macaulay, arrived in Winnipeg to confer with local officials on the advisability of the establishment of a Red Cross general flood relief appeal.

**\$100,000 Spent**  
Meanwhile, more than \$100,000 has been spent by the society for food, clothing and shelter for Winnipeg evacuees, according to word received from L. A. Winter, honorary treasurer of the national organization.

Contributions and funds have been pouring into Red Cross headquarters from cities and municipalities anxious to assist in the disaster, Mr. Winter reported.

The missing persons bureau, established in the Red Cross flood relief headquarters in the civic auditorium reported that Saturday a total of 1,314 inquiries had been received, of which 983 were answered or located.

So far, the bureau, headed by Col. F. W. G. Miles, stated that of the total 4,549 inquiries received, 3,843 had been answered.

To speed up the work of the department, a four-machine telephone station has been established in this building to Winnipeg's two telegraphic companies, the Canadian National and the Canadian Pacific.

**Round The Clock**  
The machines, operating 24 hours a day, are being used for requests for information, replies to such requests and for finding accommodations for evacuees.

Despite the insidious efforts of gnomes to write "snafu" to the work in the Red Cross evacuation headquarters Saturday night, it was business as usual a few moments after the room had been plunged into darkness.

The blackout was caused by a switch-over from the city lighting system to a power generator, which is used in the event of a failure of the city system.

However, a few minutes after the initial power failure, flashlights were pressed into service and work in the 17 departments was resumed.

## Lakehead Trucks To Aid Winnipeg

FORT WILLIAM, May 14 (CP)—A fleet of trucks to assist in Winnipeg flood relief has been offered by the Automotive Transport Association of Ontario. Lakehead branch, J. O. Goodman, general manager, said Saturday.

The truck service will operate from the Manitoba boundary to the Lakehead. Organization is being undertaken by J. McLeod of Fort William and Douglas Fisher of Port Arthur. Mr. Goodman said there would be no charge for the transportation.

The association offer to assist in flood relief and in any other way possible, was made at a joint meeting of Lakehead relief committees and civic officials held Friday night in H.M.C.S. Griffin.

## Sleeping Car Space Is Urgently Needed By Both Railways

Canadian Pacific and Canadian National passenger departments Saturday urged anyone who is unable to use sleeping car space which they have reserved to make sure that their cancellation of that space is recorded as soon as possible to make the best possible use of equipment.

The two roads pointed out that space not used and not cancelled means that cars which should be filled to move the greatest number of people cannot be filled. So operation in this respect will render unnecessary any such space-saving arrangement as prevailed in the war when a time limit was placed on the picking up of space reserved by phone.

## St. John's Appoints H. J. Bird To Post

H. J. Bird has been appointed honorary president of St. John's college for the 1950-51 session, college officials have announced.

Mr. Bird, who is a member of the executive council of the diocese of Rupert's Land, has been associated with the college for a number of years as a member of the St. John's college council.

Closely connected with the Anglican church in Moose Jaw, Regina and Winnipeg, Mr. Bird is now a member of St. Paul's Anglican church, Fort Garry.

## Regina Area Collects Over \$6,000 For Relief

REGINA, May 14 (BUP)—People in the Regina area have collected more than \$6,000 for the Manitoba relief fund.

Collection committees are at work throughout Saskatchewan. Saskatchewan centres offering accommodations include Regina, Moose Jaw, Kerrobert, Prince Albert, Weyburn, Yorkton, Humboldt, Saskatoon, Tisdale, Wilkie, Shaunavon, Wadena and Melville.



Winnipeg flood "holidayers" show a little holiday spirit on arrival in Toronto by charter aircraft. Most of them — forced from their homes by flood — were met by friends and relatives in Toronto. A few continued as far east as St. Johns, Nfld.

## One Quake A Year In Nature's Plans, Seismologist Says

LOS ANGELES, May 13 (AP)—Instead of producing earthquakes in bunches, mother earth is settling down to a regular budget of one large one a year, says Dr. Hugo Benioff, seismologist at the California Institute of Technology.

Addressing a group of geophysicists Friday night, Dr. Benioff said that some gigantic global force has been responsible in the past for alternating periods of earthquake activity and quiet. This force, like a huge key, alternately locks and unlocks earthquake faults throughout the globe.

However, contrary to all previous belief, great earthquakes are not independent events. Regardless of where they occur, they are related in time of occurrence to other great upheavals. At least, that is Dr. Benioff's theory.

"We have been able to determine that there is a general strain in the entire crust of the earth," he said. "The strain is generated at a remarkably constant rate. Until 1948, however, the rate of release has been irregular. Since 1900 there have been five especially active earthquake periods, followed by a quiet interval. Each succeeding period of activity has tended to be shorter than the one before."

"Now, the earth seems to have entered a different phase in which the strain is being released at the same rate with which it is being generated. Mother earth's production of energy seems to be in balance with her release of the energy in earthquakes. This means that as long as this normal regularity lasts, one earthquake should occur each year on this planet."

## Catholic Women Set Up Depots For Food Gifts

Donations of sandwiches, fruit, juices, tomato juices and individual pastries are being collected for flood workers by the Catholic Women's League at receiving centres in various parishes.

Centres will be: Sunday—St. Ignace and St. John Cantius; Monday—Holy Rosary and Immaculate Conception; Tuesday—St. Anne's and Sacred Heart; Wednesday—St. Edward's; St. Patrick's and St. Anthony's; Thursday—Our Lady of Victory, Holy Ghost and St. Joseph's; Friday—St. Mary's and St. Ignace; Saturday—St. Mary's, Business Women's Unit of the Catholic Women's League and the Amicus club.

Immaculate Conception canteen has now been discontinued due to flooding.

The Catholic Women's League will be in charge of the River Heights community centre Monday.

## UNITED CHURCH MEET OFF

The Manitoba conference of the United Church of Canada, scheduled to meet June 5 to 9, has been postponed until June 19 to 23.



Silver Plains "flood baby" catches 40 winks on stalled evacuee train just out of Winnipeg. Mrs. Florent Robert worriedly cares for two-week-old daughter, Carol, born in amid the Silver Plains flood. Sees "useless future" with farm, home gone.

## Breadner Named Head Of RCAF Association

OTTAWA, May 14 (CP)—Air Chief Marshal Lloyd Breadner of Kirk's Ferry, Que., was named grand president of the newly-formed R.C.A.F. association here Saturday.

Air Vice Marshal A. L. Forster of Granville Ferry, N.S., was elected president and Air Vice Marshal Adolphe Raymond of Montreal, first vice-president.

This was the second group of patients to take advantage of Premier P. C. Douglas' offer of hospital facilities in Saskatchewan.

Thursday, two planes of air ambulance service carried 10 of the most seriously ill of the group to Regina.

The patients were moved from hospitals and old folks' homes throughout the city, to a holding hospital set up in hangar No. 2 and part of the sergeants' mess, at Stevenson Field.

One aged man was prepared to take his first air voyage. "Any place that suits the boys is O.K. with me," he said. "I'll go as far as they go."

The aircraft was piloted by Flt. Lieut. J. Bell of Rivers, Man., and Flt. Lieut. D. McLean of Edmonton, Alta.

Medical officers in charge of the movement were Sqd. Ldr. S. E. Llan, R.C.A.F., and Capt. A. Sartorelli, RCAMC.

## Atom In Industry Seen Bringing Nationalization

ATLANTIC CITY, N.J., May 13 (AP)—Gen. Leslie R. Groves, (U.S.A. retired), wartime head of the atomic energy project, Friday declared the development of atomic power for industrial uses may well lead to nationalization of all major industry, commerce and transportation.

Addressing the 46th annual convention of the New Jersey Bankers' association, General Groves said, however, that the prospect of cheap atomic power is still in the distant future.

"Even now, atomic power is decades off," he asserted. "For many years to come, atomic power will cost more than power from either steam or hydro plants, even if there is heavy government subsidization."

"When atomic power does come, it will be centred in areas where power is now used in great quantities, because initial plants must be very large plants."

## BAPTIST SERVICES

Grant Memorial Baptist church service, usually held in the civic auditorium, will be in theatre A, University of Manitoba, Broadway building, Sunday evening.

## Second Group Of Old Folks Fly To Sask.

Thirty-six aged men and women, forced by floods from old folks' homes in Greater Winnipeg, left on stretchers in a Dakota aircraft Friday for Yorkton, Sask.

This was the second group of patients to take advantage of Premier P. C. Douglas' offer of hospital facilities in Saskatchewan.

Thursday, two planes of air ambulance service carried 10 of the most seriously ill of the group to Regina.

The patients were moved from hospitals and old folks' homes throughout the city, to a holding hospital set up in hangar No. 2 and part of the sergeants' mess, at Stevenson Field.

One aged man was prepared to take his first air voyage. "Any place that suits the boys is O.K. with me," he said. "I'll go as far as they go."

The aircraft was piloted by Flt. Lieut. J. Bell of Rivers, Man., and Flt. Lieut. D. McLean of Edmonton, Alta.

Medical officers in charge of the movement were Sqd. Ldr. S. E. Llan, R.C.A.F., and Capt. A. Sartorelli, RCAMC.

## Red Threat Goes Deeper Than Nazi

KING'S POINT, N.Y., May 13 (BUP)—Navy Secretary Francis P. Matthews declared Saturday that Russian aggression now is a greater threat to democracy than Hitler's army in 1940.

"We face a threat greater yet than the world faced 10 years ago when Hitler's legions overran France and we all waited with bated breath to see whether Britain could stand," Mr. Matthews said in a speech at the U.S. Maritime academy here.

"We face not a European threat, but a worldwide threat which already dominates eastern Europe and most of Asia south of India and the Near East."

"The navy secretary said the United States must continue to help other non-Communist nations until 'the inevitable hour' when the tide of Communism will begin to recede."

Mr. Matthews gloomily added that this might not occur without another war.

"All that we can foresee clearly now is that the struggle for peace will be long and difficult," Mr. Matthews said. He forecast a long period when the national economy will be "out of normal balance."

## Chinese Reds Get Estate Of Author

TOKYO, May 13 (AP)—The late American author, Agnes Smedley, willed all her possessions to Gen. Chu Teh, commander of the Red China's armies, the Peiping radio said Saturday. A broadcast heard here said she had asked that her ashes be sent to Peiping, the Communist capital. She died May 6 at Oxford, England. A U.S. army report from Tokyo in February, 1949 named Miss Smedley as a spy and agent of the Soviet government. She vigorously denied it, and later the army said it had no proof to back up the charge.

## Canadian Pacific Serves Packing Firms

Special Canadian Pacific trains to meat packing plants at St. Boniface continue to give service to this industry and carry about 300 people a day to and from work. The trains leave the station at 5:15 and 6:15 a.m. and the stockyard area at 3:15 and 4:15 p.m. — all times standard time. The trains stop halfway between Swifts and Canada Packers.

## Coast Police Move Off

VANCOUVER, May 14 (CP)—Outside police aid isn't needed in flood-beset Winnipeg, police chief Walter Mulligan learned Saturday. The city dropped plans to fly 10 officers to the prairie city after a telegram from Winnipeg said police there "have the situation under control." Winnipeg police said they will advise Chief Mulligan if the situation worsens and his men are needed.

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of Assiniboine levels at Brandon and Portage la Prairie.

At the former the water went up one inch during the night to 13.6 above datum—still 4.5 feet below flood level. At Portage the rise was by four inches, but there was a long distance between it and flood level.

At Headingley a drop of 14 feet was measured — but the river's flow had picked up a lot of speed all along the line.

No one at either of the three points was worried about an Assiniboine flood, but U.S. engineers were convinced the river posed a threat to the Red river valley and Winnipeg conditions.

They thought warm weather would cause the predicted flash run-offs — and Sunday no one would say they were calling the wrong shot.

Meanwhile there was no improvement in conditions within the flooded valley towns.

Actually, Saturday's high winds made things worse and extended the already incalculable damage to property in the flooded areas.

Morris was officially deserted, although a skeleton crew of police and workers remained there. Stock evacuation was still going on with the feed crisis softening at Letellier.

A special mixed train went down Canadian Pacific lines to Dominion City Saturday mainly to pick up cattle.

**Neurology struck near Letellier Saturday at 7:30 p.m.** As a result one man is now in hospital where he was taken in a half drowned condition when the boat he was in with three others overturned. He was caught beneath it.

The men were returning to the town from a visit to their flooded Dominion City property when their Red Cross boat capsized. None of the other three was hurt.

At St. Agathe there was a milk shortage — but food supplies were adequate. There was little work to be done in this desolated town. The remaining men there just sat and watched the waters destroy.

At St. Jean Baptiste the week-end high winds caused waves that raised the flood level with consequent additional damage to buildings. Things were better at Dominion City.

With the Roseau down about 10 inches the flood waters at the Red Cross through the town, had an outlet at last.

Here the stock situation was good. Feed had been shipped in. Oil from a burst tank at Emerson slicked the waters at Dominion City, but were no threat.

One news service stated the territory faced martial law.

The statement was based on the fact that Premier D. L. Campbell Saturday night told Flood Chief Brig. R. E. A. Morton he would agree to any measure the officer wanted to cope with a worsening situation and protect life and property.

This, it was thought, was an agreement by the premier, in principle, that he would allow martial law in the valley if and when necessary.

It was expected that by evening more than one-fifth of the capital's 350,000 population would have been voluntarily evacuated.

A special announcement from the Manitoba forest service to cottage owners in the Whiteshell area who wish to evacuate there, advises that while most roads are very soft, and some are damaged by flooding, all lakes and subdivisions can be reached by car or light delivery trucks. Ice, however, still remains in lakes and they cannot proceed to cottages by boat. Stores are open at all lakes except White and Big Whiteshell. Daily bread and milk delivery from Kenora is being arranged for more accessible areas.

On behalf of evacuated and needy members of The Manitoba Teachers' society, the society has accepted offers of assistance from the Saskatchewan Teachers' federation, the Alberta Teachers' association and the Canadian Teachers' federation. Teachers affected are asked to communicate with the general secretary of the Manitoba Teachers' society and state immediate and possible later requirements either by letter or by telephone.

All men residing in St. James south of Portage avenue, from Lyle to Winston and Hampton street to College street, north of Portage, are asked to attend a meeting at Assiniboine school, Sunday at 3 p.m.



When a faulty fuse prematurely set off a charge of dynamite at his farm near Ravenshoe, Ont., Fred Mahoney, 41, was instantly killed. Brother Lorne Mahoney points to spot where accident occurred. Son Bill, 14, inset, was about to yell, "Get out of there," saw his father killed.

## Truman Using Republican Slogan As Vote Weapon

BY BERT ANDREWS

N.Y. Herald Tribune News Service  
FARGO, N.D., May 14 — As President Truman nears the end of his tour, it is becoming clear that he is seeking to turn one of the Republican political slogans against them by everything from ridicule to denunciation.

The Republicans said some time ago they wanted the 1950 and 1952 elections waged on the issue of "socialism versus freedom."

Their meaning was that they believed the Truman programme —topping off that of the late Franklin D. Roosevelt — was leading the United States toward a system under which the government would run everything, whereas the Republicans were striving for a return to more freedom for the individual.

In state after state on this trip and in almost 50 speeches President Truman has informed the opposition which has taken the position — or at least that portion of the opposition which has taken the trouble to read his speeches — that how he intends to combat the Republican battery in the congressional elections of 1950 and the presidential election of 1952.

"You hear a lot of wild charges that anything new which we propose for the farmer is 'socialism' and 'regimentation'. That's an old cry that has been going on for a long time," says the president.

"I want to show these totalitarian fellows that democracy — honest-to-goodness democracy — can work for the benefit of all the people, and not just for the benefit of a few."

He clearly is trying to reduce the Republican slogan to such an absurdity that they will either quietly drop it or will be hard put to it to defend it.

## 150 FOR MANITOU

A canvass of Manitou has indicated that accommodation can be found for 150 flood victims there. At a meeting Thursday, committee members were set up to welcome, billet and provide kitchen facilities for the evacuees. When road and rail conditions improve to allow a greater volume of passenger traffic to Manitou, the town will be ready for these needing help.

## WASAGAMING OPENS

Idylwyld Bungalows, Wasagaming Bungalows and Wasagaming Lodge at Wasagaming (Clear Lake), Man., are available to people from flooded areas. Linens, grocery stores, and restaurants are now operating on a summer schedule.

## AID FOR CLERKS OFFERED

An offer of aid to members of the local union of the Retail Clerks association has been received by R. C. McCutcheon, business representative of the retail clerks union, in a telegram received Sunday from James A. Suforace, secretary-treasurer of the Retail Clerks International association. The American official expressed his concern for members of locals 286 and 632, and requested immediate information about their needs.



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The city engineering department finished gravelling the 500-yard stretch of Water avenue before 9 a.m.

Steady convoys of trucks have been bringing gravel and crushed stone from St. Mary's Mountain and Bird's Hill day and night to provide the thousands of tons of material needed.

This bridge is expected to be open to all traffic later Sunday, according to army flood control headquarters. General traffic will only be allowed to pass one way over the bridge, officials said.

## Swift Current

A swift current which is running overland across the Fort Garry and Riverview peninsulas is causing concern, flood control engineers said.

The river current is now bearing down directly against the southern side of the Lyndale drive dike and threatening to smash it.

It is also feared that some houses in the Wildwood and Riverview flooded areas may be swept from their foundations or otherwise seriously damaged by the current.

A dike break on Archibald street caused more serious flooding early Sunday morning. Army engineers were called out when water boiled up through the bottom of the rampart near Smith's Yacht club.

Over 1,000 volunteers flood workers are piling 50,000 sandbags a day on the huge Lyndale dike in Norwood.

**Fear Higher Dike**  
At the point where the river current is hitting the dike, it is now 16 feet wide at the top. Engineers are afraid to build any higher, flood control officials said, because there is danger of the dike structure toppling over.

It is reported, however, that the dike is still two feet above the water at this danger point.

**High winds early Sunday** sent flood waters lapping over the top of dikes on the east bank, flood control officials said, because there is danger of the dike structure toppling over.

Most of the water was immediately handled by seepage pumps on the inside of the dikes. Additional persons were being evacuated Sunday from the area of St. Boniface east of the Seine river as the flooded area in the cathedral city spreads.

Take in 3rd. and Winnipeg flood Small Cave-In  
A small dike cave-in at the Norwood bridge area caused additional flooding, but otherwise there was little change in this district, officials reported.

Most of the 20,000 people of St. Vital municipally have now been evacuated. Only volunteers remain and some milk ranchers who refused to get out.

Five soldiers were sent to Deer Lodge hospital early Sunday after their amphibious jeep was sunk in the Riverview flooded area. The men were stranded when they lost their vehicle and had to signal to police with flashlights before they were brought out.

**None Injured**  
No one was injured. The men were taken to hospital only for a check-up.

It is now six feet deep at the foot of Bell avenue at the Winnipeg approach to Norwood bridge. Diking here was abandoned early Saturday.

The pumps which were to be used to pump water from Main street at this point, have been removed.

The Assiniboine river Sunday had started to flood up behind sandbags at Broadway and Osborne streets. This water was coming through from behind Shea's brewers'. Previously, flooding here was from backed-up sewers.

The Assiniboine has started to flood between Arlington and Canora streets on Wolseley avenue.

In St. Vital it is now reported impossible to get as far as the first bath where municipal offices are located.

**The new East Kildonan dike** is almost completed, flood officials said Sunday.

Dikes in St. James were holding "well" municipal authorities said late Saturday.

## Two Feet Left

"We have about two feet to work on," was the general opinion of the public.

The dike runs from Douglas Park road to River Oaks drive along Assiniboine avenue and is a combination of sandbags and mud, lifted by bulldozers.

All meetings of St. James general flood committee would be held there at 7:15 p.m. daily, committee members said.

As the situation grew worse, Mayor R. F. Wightman flew from Miami, Fla. late Wednesday night where he had been attending a meeting of the Kiwanis club International.

## BAPTISTS OFFER AID

Offers of assistance in the flood emergency have been received from Baptist churches throughout Canada by Rev. E. M. Checkland, minister of the Broadway-First Baptist church, Winnipeg. At noon Saturday a wire was received from Dr. H. H. Bingham, general secretary of the Baptist convention of Ontario and Quebec offering help. A wire has also been received from Dr. W. C. Smalley, general secretary of the Baptist Union of Western Canada. Mr. Checkland has requested that such assistance be a very few men. Mr. Schuman and Prime Minister Georges Bidault were probably the only two cabinet ministers who had advance notice of it, and yet the cabinet has approved the proposal late Tuesday morning.

## ANTI-FRANCO WARNING

SAINT JEAN DE LUZ, France, May 14 (CP) — Indalecio Prieto, exiled leader of Spanish Socialists, Sunday warned the west against doing business with Generalissimo Francisco Franco. That might create a Russian fifth column in Spain, said Prieto. "The Spanish people hate those who help Franco and they will turn to those who help them overthrow Franco."

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# How Further Rise In River Level Would Affect City Areas



How further rises in the river level will affect different sections of the city is shown in this map prepared by the city engineering department. The map was drawn at the request of Mayor Garnet Coulter for the benefit of citizens still not seriously affected by rising flood waters. Foot-by-foot increases from 30 to 32 in the above-datum reading are represented in the outlined sections. Figures between the lines show the average height in that area. The north boundary of the city is at the right, with Main street starting just above the below-30 line. It should be noted that the river elevation in the southeast section

of the city is approximately 1.5 feet higher than the official datum reading (taken at the James avenue pumping station). At the same time, the elevation in the furthestmost northeast section of the city is about 3 feet lower than the James avenue reading. All those sections reading below 30 are already hit by flood waters, while those in the 30-31 level are also feeling the effects of backing sewers. The map, prepared on a city-proper basis, does not show figures for suburban municipalities or St. Boniface. Of course, there are small pockets throughout the city where the elevation is lower than 32 feet but which are not shown on the map.

## They Were Old, Tired; They'd Seen It Before

They were old and tired and they had known catastrophe before. Of the 188 patients being evacuated from Deer Lodge hospital, 140 were veterans of both world wars. Many years ago, some of them had been loaded into the same type of squal, khaki-painted army ambulances and taken from the front to field hospitals.

### New Enemy

Now their enemy was the overflowing Red river; and again their retreat was forced. They were being moved so there would be space available in Deer Lodge hospital for emergency cases. Forty of these were stretcher cases. Army personnel loaded them into 11 waiting Canadian Pacific railway coaches that will bring them to Calgary, where they will be met by ambulances and taken to Colonel Belcher hospital.

Included among the elderly evacuees were 48 patients who had been wards of the city prior to their transfer to Deer Lodge hospital. Some of them had been in private nursing homes on Roslyn road and Assiniboine avenue. Now the homes are under water. Many of the evacuees were stunned and bewildered. They found it difficult to understand why they were being forced to leave familiar surroundings.

One of the few women included among the elderly patients — 75 years old and bed-ridden for the past nine years — said: "I'm not worried about the flood. I'd be glad to walk right through it—if only I had the use of my legs again."

### Break In Monotony

Some of the old-timers were looking forward to their trip. It was as if the train ride were a welcome break in the monotony of many inactive years. Early Saturday afternoon, 70 patients were evacuated by Canadian National railways to Regina. They had formerly been in Winnipeg General hospital.

## Red Cross Evacuation Starts From Auditorium

Red Cross advises that anyone wishing to be evacuated from Winnipeg and district may report to the Red Cross at the Civic auditorium. A person wishing to be evacuated by the Red Cross must be prepared to move with a group to a district arranged for by the Red Cross, and should report ready to leave with essential baggage. Any individual wishing to proceed to a district of his own choice is requested to make his own arrangements direct through the public transport companies and not through the Red Cross.

## GENEROUS

### Indian Settlement Offers Assistance

From a small Indian settlement at Shamattawa in north eastern Manitoba has come a \$15 contribution to help cheer flood victims.

In a radiogram received Friday at Hudson's Bay house, Winnipeg, L. R. Batchelor, manager of the Hudson's Bay company at Shamattawa, asked that \$15 be debited from his account and contributed to Red Cross flood relief.

## French Geologists Seek Eldorado In The Sahara

PARIS, May 14 — French geologists, using \$1,140,000 worth of Marshall plan trucks and other rolling equipment, now are prospecting in previously unexplored parts of the Sahara desert for copper, manganese and other minerals. Only experienced desert men have been chosen for the three-year search 400 miles south of the Mediterranean coastline along the Algerian-Moroccan border. Geologists long have maintained that great mineral pockets lie buried there.

## 'Hams' Handle Messages For Separated Families

Western Canada's licensed amateur radio operators are working long hours to bring flood victims and their relatives and friends outside the city into touch.

They have set up a relay network of more than 150 stations in western Canada alone which already has handled hundreds of messages.

But, in the efforts to relieve congestion on regular communication channels, they are faced with a problem. In many cases messages are for persons who have moved or evacuated. How can they be contacted?

At present amateur radio men in Winnipeg are having these messages broadcast over local stations. They appeal to the public to listen to their radios and pass them on to those evacuees they know.

**Traffic May Increase** If the flood worsens, the radio men fear that the number of undelivered messages will increase. Fortunately they have been able up to now to deliver the bulk of messages by telephone.

**Key station in Winnipeg is located at 186 Oakdean boulevard, in St. James. The station's phone number is 63 355.** Operated under government licence VE 4RO 24 hours a day, the 500 watt station is owned by licensed amateur George Behrends, and staffed at all times by two or more volunteer "hams", as amateur

operators are known in radio circles. They have been working 12 to 18 hours a shift.

Located in a small shed in Mr.

Behrends' backyard, station VE 4RO was hard at work Saturday afternoon.

Art Morley—licensed operator VE 4AN—was at the station con-

trols, while Len Cuff—VE 4LC—was phoning the messages to their city destinations.

At 2:40 p.m. operator Morley radioed a reply to a message originating in Saskatoon at 1:30 p.m.

Earlier he had been in touch with the Pas, Flin Flon and Swan River. Meanwhile, Mr. Cuff explained how the system was set up.

**Depend On Conditions** "It all depends on how conditions are, how many stations handle one message," he said. "Sometimes we can take them direct from the west coast, and at other times several stations 100 miles apart have to handle an Edmonton message."

"We have had messages from eastern Canada and the United States, but it seems that most of the relatives of the flood evacuees are from western Canada."

**And messages out of Winnipeg to the west?** "Oh yes, we handle those too," he said.

The network, Mr. Cuff said, has at its disposal, but prefers to use voice where ever possible because it is quicker.

Visual proof of station VE 4RO's efficiency were "call cards" from every part of the world decorating every available inch of wall space in Mr. Behrends' station.

They were mailed to him by "hams" of all nationalities after he had contacted them by radio.

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**Greater Load** "Our equipment takes care of a greater load with less water than private machines and we have means of dumping without overtaxing the sewers," said one laundress.

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Canadians Rally With Open Hearts, Purses

\$55,000  
Donated  
To Date

Appeals for donations to the Manitoba Flood Relief fund are meeting with heartfelt response in every corner of Canada. By Monday, the fund total had risen to over \$55,000 from its Saturday figure of \$11,000.

Individuals and organizations from the Pacific to the Atlantic pledged their support to Manitoba's 60,000 homeless citizens and devastated homes and farms over the week-end as:

- Hon. Leslie R. Curtis, acting premier of Newfoundland, sent a gift of \$10,000 from the government and people of the new island province.

- Senator Norman Paterson of Ottawa forwarded a contribution of \$10,000.

- A record-breaking tag day in Edmonton Saturday yielded \$11,702 to the fund.

- Saskatchewan announced collections of more than \$6,000 Sunday and predicted continued response.

- Every daily newspaper in the dominion and every radio station contacted by local fund officials offered to conduct special campaigns.

- The Toronto Star opened its campaign Monday with a donation of \$10,000.

- Canada's two nation-wide labor organizations — the Canadian Congress of Labor and the Trades and Labor Council — have undertaken to canvass their 900,000 members.

- Mayor George Wenig of London planned to propose a civic campaign for flood relief to Manitoba residents Monday.

**Committee Formed**

Corporations as well as individuals in Canada are to be asked for help in the rehabilitation of stricken Winnipeg and other parts of southern Manitoba. A special sub-committee was organized by fund officials Monday to canvass corporations outside the province. It will be known as the National Corporate Donation committee. Its members are R. D. Baker, Ray W. Milner, Cecil Clifford and Gordon Konantz, all of Winnipeg.

Telegrams expressing interest and support poured into the fund's headquarters at the city hall over the week-end from various points in Canada and the United States. One came as well from the citizens of Manchester, England, expressing their deep distress. It was signed by Mayor Ford.

In Winnipeg, the Chamber of Commerce took steps to publicize the fund to members of all other

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Province Plans  
Special Session

A special session of the Manitoba legislature will be called during the next few months, to approve emergency measures for flood relief, it was reliably learned Monday.

The session will be called as soon as the government prepares its plans and special legislation for flood relief and control.

All measures taken to date have been made under the cabinet's authority during a provincial emergency.

**Money Problems**

It is expected, however, that even with substantial federal financial aid considerable money will have to be raised through legislation by the house itself. Together with those of municipalities and the city of Winnipeg, expenditures for flood relief are now running into several hundred thousand dollars a day.

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FORECAST: A LITTLE WARMER

CREST BELIEVED HERE

St. Boniface Area Clears 5,000

Mothers,  
Children  
In Exodus

More than 5,000 residents of St. Boniface and Norwood fled from the threat of the rampaging Red river Sunday. They joined the trek out of Greater Winnipeg which by Monday had seen over 80,000 persons leave in the greatest mass movement from a city in the country's history.

Decision to call for the voluntary evacuation of St. Boniface was made by flood control headquarters Sunday afternoon. Weakened dikes, undermined by strong currents, prompted the move.

At first the recommendation was for a complete evacuation of the 25,000 residents of the Cathedral city. The request was amended by the authorities later and only women with children were called upon to get out of the St. Boniface and Norwood areas.

Before the order was issued authorities estimated 10,000 residents of St. Boniface and

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"Heigh ho, heigh ho, it's off to work we go!" The seven dwarfs had nothing on these industrious Winnipeg dike workers seen marching off to battle the flood.



Flood Group Demands Province  
Announce Rehabilitation Plans

A demand that the provincial government make an immediate announcement on its flood rehabilitation plans was made Monday at a meeting of Winnipeg's flood control committee.

"I'm very much concerned . . . we don't know where we are at," declared Ald. C. E. Simonite, the city's finance committee chairman. It was agreed that Mayor Garnet Coulter contact flood-affected

Greater Winnipeg municipalities and that Premier D. L. Campbell be approached as soon as possible for a clear-cut statement of policy.

"The whole business of restoration hinges on an announcement of policy by the provincial government," said Ald. Simonite.

He urged that municipal authorities press as vigorously as possible for a declaration from the premier on the burden the provincial government was prepared to assume. "Further delays will simply com-

plicate and confuse the entire programme of restoration. It is vital that Premier Campbell act at once." It was pointed out at the meeting that restoration of electrical, water and sanitation services would not only be confined to the city of Winnipeg but to surrounding municipalities also.

**Severe Handicap**  
These outside municipalities would be severely handicapped by lack of equipment and trained personnel, W. D. Hurst, city engineer and committee chairman, added.

Ald. Simonite interjected that the city of Winnipeg had already borne most of the cost of flood defences in several of the suburban municipalities.

He informed the meeting that a session of municipal representatives with provincial officials on flood finances Sunday night had "gotten nowhere."

"But we have to get somewhere right now. It will be only three or four days before the problem of rehabilitation must.

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Red Cross Paying  
For Needy Evacuees

Persons ordered to evacuate flood-endangered areas in Greater Winnipeg and who, because of unfortunate circumstances, are unable to face costs of transportation are being cared for by the Red Cross, it was announced Sunday night.

"Our main concern is to get people out of the city," a Red Cross official said. "Needy evacuees who have nowhere to go should apply to Red Cross headquarters at the auditorium. We will provide them with accommodation out of the city and arrange for their transportation," he stated.

The officials stated that the Red Cross expected about 650 evacuees from the Norwood-St. Boniface area to apply for such aid within the next two days.

"If people say they are needy, we take their word for it. They are given a card asking for their preferred destination. If accommo-

dation is available there immediately, we usually manage to place them according to their preferences. "Otherwise they are dispatched to out-of-town homes which are on our records as willing to provide for evacuees. The main thing is that they leave Winnipeg with as little delay as possible."

Many private individuals from rural towns have driven to the city to pick up evacuees to take to their homes, the Red Cross reported. Where there is any necessary overnight delay in arranging for transportation, the Red Cross official said, needy evacuees were being housed in temporary accommodation arranged for by the Red Cross pending their departure.

The official also stated that an auditing department is being set up to handle all financial eventualities arising out of Red Cross assistance during the present crisis.

River's Level  
Drops Slightly

Crest of the Red river flood, which started its destructive course through the city almost three weeks ago, was believed to be passing through Greater Winnipeg Monday. The river appeared to have halted an 18-day rise at 9 p.m. Saturday and since that time has dropped 1 1/5 inches.

Souris  
Floods  
Farmland

The Souris river — which feeds its waters into the Assiniboine river — has flooded an estimated 2,000 acres of crop land, reports from Melita, Man., said Monday. Melita is in the southwest corner of the province.

The land involved is in the Lauder-Napinka district. The river was reported surging over its banks in the Sourisford area and on the flats southwest of Melita. Rise since Saturday has ranged from eight to 10 inches.

**Dams Inspected**

Last week, an inspection tour of the flooded area between the Napinka and Hartney dams and east to the dam near Souris was made by J. R. Pitt (M.L.A.—Arthur), accompanied by four Melita residents.

The inspecting party said it was felt the dams were holding back the water flow considerably. Last year, flood waters hit approximately 5,000 acres of farmland in the Souris valley.

While district farmers did not believe the flood would be as extensive this year, they felt almost certain that acreage of flooded land will increase between now and May 24.

The provincial government is being asked to take action to prevent recurrent spring flooding, Melita reports said.

Since 1947, it was pointed out, several hundred acres of valley land has been out of commission as a result of high water.

That's Basic, Not Bob  
Downbeat, Not Upbeat

**Impressario Reports**  
Bob Hope is not coming to Winnipeg, Count Basic is.

Don Carlos, of Cafe Don Carlos, said Monday he was "puzzled" by a report that Mr. Hope would come to Winnipeg in two weeks' time for a flood relief benefit appearance at Polo Park under his auspices. No such plans had been made, he said.

**The Count Instead**

Instead, Count Basic will be appearing at the Cafe the week of June 19 and on that day will give a benefit concert at the Playhouse, from which proceeds will go to the Manitoba flood relief fund.

The baffled man adds: "I only wish Hope would come. I'd bring him if I could!"

Level at James avenue pumping station at 1 p.m. Monday was 30.1 feet above datum.

The river level had remained stationary at 30.2 feet, its highest point, for close to 24 hours before it showed a drop of one-tenth of a foot between 8 and 9 p.m. Sunday.

Flood control headquarters said Monday that the coming week will be the most crucial one for these reasons:

1. Water-dikes, still protecting hundreds of city homes from flood waters, might collapse at any moment.

2. If even amount of rain falls anywhere in the Red river valley, the picture would change quickly for the worse in Winnipeg.

3. Civilian volunteer dike workers, still needed to bolster important ramparts, may not come forward in sufficient numbers, thinking the crisis is over.

Supplies continued to pour into the flooded city by both air and rail.

Flood control headquarters said an additional 575,000 sandbags should arrive by midnight to add to the reserve of 235,500 bags now on hand. Seventy-three rail cars of sand are also expected before Tuesday.

A Lancaster plane took off from Dartmouth, N.S., Monday with a load of navy-donated outboard motors, rubber boots and Red Cross supplies for Winnipeg.

Provencher bridge, main link between Winnipeg and St. Boniface, was opened to two-way general traffic Monday. The city engineering department poured more than 20,000 yards of gravel and stone into flooded Water avenue to make a new approach to the bridge.

**"On The Peak"**

D. M. Stephens, provincial deputy minister of mines and natural resources, said Monday that

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These two young ladies were among the 5,000 persons who left St. Boniface Sunday night in response to an army request that all women with children leave the city. The girls, left to right, Hope Baldwin, three, and Sandra Baldwin, two, were not at all eager to move — they had been evacuated from

their own home a week previously — but when they were told their uncle's dog "Potty" was going they agreed to join in the exodus. The girls' home is at 123 Fernside avenue. They were living with their uncle, Bill Irwin, 151 Archibald street, before Sunday's evacuation request.



"Inoculation? It's not so bad."



## Traffic Arteries

LATEST REPORTS

### Bridges

**ELM PARK**—Closed, condemned, barricaded and weighted.  
**LOUISE**—Open to trucks and emergency vehicles.  
**MAIN**—Closed to all vehicles; barricaded.  
**MARION-SEINE**—Open to all essential traffic; military in charge.  
**MARYLAND**—Open to emergency traffic only; diking and pumping in progress at south end.  
**NORWOOD**—Closed to all but amphibious vehicles.  
**OSBORN'S CREEK-ELLICE**—Open to all traffic.  
**OSBORNE**—Open to emergency traffic only; water at south end; diking and pumping in progress.  
**PROVENCER**—Open to evacuate and emergency traffic west-bound only, since 7 p.m. Sunday; a few eastbound vehicles allowed to cross after 3 a.m. Monday; ramp shoulders soft, and some water across ramp; maintenance crews believed to be keeping up with repairs.  
**REDWOOD**—Open to all traffic.  
**ST. JAMES**—Open to all traffic.  
**PROVENCER-SEINE**—Closed and diked with earth.

### Subways

**ANNABELLA**—Closed and barricaded.  
**ARLINGTON**—Open to all traffic; road rough.  
**BERGEN CUT-OFF**—Open to two-way traffic; condition good.  
**ELGIN**—High water; impassable to cars; trucks only.  
**HIGGINS**—Open to emergency vehicles; water level about the same.  
**McPHILLIPS**—Closed and barricaded.  
**MAIN-HIGGINS**—Open to all traffic; condition good.  
**OSBORNE**—Closed and barricaded; water receding slightly; detours possible.  
**PEMBINA**—Closed and barricaded; by-pass possible.  
**ROSS**—High water; impassable to trucks only.  
**ST. JAMES**—Open to emergency vehicles only; traffic south side only; water two feet deep; pavement on south side deteriorating.  
**SHERBROOK**—Closed and barricaded.  
**TEGUMSEH**—High water; impassable to cars; trucks only.

### Streets and Avenues

**ARCHIBALD**—Open to all traffic; flooded at Mission; passable but rough.  
**ASSINIBOINE**—Flooded and barricaded between Fort and Kennedy.  
**BAIRMORAL**—Flooded from Whitehall to Broadway.  
**BELL**—Flooded from Main to Wood.  
**BERESFORD**—Unpaved section from Cockburn to Berwick under water.  
**BERWICK**—Passable between Jubilee and Rathgar.  
**BROADWAY**—Flooded between Osborne and Colony; barricaded and diked at Osborne.  
**DAILY**—Flooded between Rosedale and Beresford, and Beresford and Rathgar; intersection clear.  
**CARLTON**—Under 10 inches of water between Cumberland and Qu'Appelle.  
**DUNSMUIR**—Flooded between Mayfair and River avenue; passable.  
**EASTGATE**—Flooded.  
**FURBY**—Flooded from Broadway to 100 feet north; barricaded at Broadway.  
**HARKNESS**—Flooded from Mayfair to Stradbroke.  
**HUGO**—Flooded between Corydon and Wellington crescent; passable.  
**JESSIE**—Water has receded at intersection with Osborne; open.  
**JUBILEE**—Flooded between Daly and Cockburn; barricaded against eastbound traffic.  
**LILAC**—Water between intersections from Jubilee to Walker; clear at intersections.  
**MAYFAIR**—Flooded between Main and Harkness; closed.  
**MIDDLEGATE**—Flooded.  
**OSBORNE**—Water now pumped from intersection with Broadway; practically clear.  
**PALMERSTON**—Flooded between Wolsley and Home; passable.  
**PARKER**—Improving; passable from Cambridge to Pembina highway.  
**QU'APPELLE**—Flooded between Edmonton and Kennedy; passable.  
**RATHGAR**—Some water between Daly and Cockburn.  
**ROSEDALE**—Some water between Daly and Berwick.  
**ST. JAMES**—Open but soft between Ellice and Portage.  
**WALKER**—Some water between Cockburn and Ellice.  
**WESTGATE**—Flooded.



Shown here is a second dike, built behind the first dike along Tache avenue, protecting the St. Boniface basilica and the flood waters of the Red river.

## City Garbage Trucks Back On Regular Job

City garbage collection trucks have been released from sand and gravel hauling duties. Winnipeg's flood control committee was told Monday.

The trucks will be placed on a 12-hour shift basis in order to catch up with garbage collection services, discontinued near the beginning of the flood emergency.

A. J. Taunton, deputy chief engineer, also reported that engineering crews were busy stoning St. James street to provide a traffic artery from St. James bridge to Ellice avenue.

Other highlights of the flood control meeting included:

1. W. D. Hurst, city engineer, urged that the emergency ramp be retained permanently along Water avenue to the Provencers bridge. "There's a lot of money in that fill... seven feet of gravel in parts. I would like to build a retaining wall and side road. It's a natural dike now."

Power Situation Good  
2. Power facilities were in good order, both the city hydro and Winnipeg Electric company reported.

J. W. Sanger, city hydro manager, reported that extra staff was being reduced at the Rover avenue substation and that inspection constituted the major work.

Mr. Sanger also informed the committee that instructions had been issued to the city waterworks to restore water heater service in three north Winnipeg distribution circuits.

E. V. Caion, chief engineer for the Winnipeg Electric, said his main trouble stemmed from flood cut-offs in the suburbs. "We have 3,000 homes disconnected outside the city."

Diesel Connected  
3. A new 400 horsepower diesel generating set has been connected to pumps at the McPhillips street pumping station of the city waterworks. Mr. Hurst informed the committee. This would enable the city to keep up water supplies even if the power, in some emergency, were to go, he said.

Two engineers of the Bell Telephone company of Canada are helping Manitoba telephone system engineers to evaluate damage and rehabilitation requirements. J. F. Mills, chief engineer of the Manitoba telephone system, reported. The two outside experts, both of Toronto, are M. J. Ackerly, plant extension engineer, and C. Catto, superintendent of construction.

Light Rains In Forecast For 48 Hours  
The weatherman went as far as he could Monday on the end of a shaky limb by forecasting only light showers for the next 48 hours.

Forty-eight hours, he said, was as far as he would go. "I'm not too happy about this situation. It isn't too clear-cut today."

Apparently light precipitation has been experienced over cloudy areas of Regina and Saskatoon. This front is moving towards the city with a sprinkle here and there.

Other than that light clouds and easy winds, nothing startling which would affect the flood situation is bound to occur, the weatherman said.

The low Monday and high Tuesday at Gimli, Carman and Winnipeg is 35 and 50.

## Ottawa Brigadier Succeeds Malone In 'Crisis' Post

Appointment of Brig. W. J. McGill as deputy commander in charge of emergency planning was announced Monday by Brig. R. E. A. Morton, direction officer of flood control.

Brig. McGill, who is deputy chief of the general staff at army headquarters in Ottawa, replaces Brig. R. S. Malone, who has been called to eastern Canada on urgent business.

A permanent force officer, Brig. McGill joined the army in 1930, attended an imperial staff college in India and served overseas with the 3rd division.

He was named brigadier in command of the fifth infantry brigade in northwest Europe in 1944.

## All Sizes, Shapes, Types And Ages Are Seen Toiling On The Dikes

BY FRANK MORRIS  
Working on a sand dike is good for the morale as well as the muscle. In what other circumstances could you see a 78-year-old man disdaining rheumatism and years to help beat the flood waters? Where else could you see a stocky man with a wooden leg, filling bags as he braced himself steadily on the timber member, shovelling in the stuff that would form a bulwark for his own home as well as their neighbors. Where else could you see "teen-agers sitting down with oldsters and swapping yarns and sandwiches between brief rest periods?

It may be true... and certainly a lot of people are going to tell me it's corny... but the fact of the matter is that a crisis has a lot to do with providing a lesson in the eternal brotherhood of man. You don't think of it at the time that you're working but when you sit back, rub your muscles and reflect on the whole thing it strikes you with the kind of comforting warmth that comes from a hot cup of cocoa... or something stronger... flowing through grateful veins.

78-Year-Old Worker  
Norman Green, of 11 Lenore street, is the 78-year-old man. He's quiet, and you might think, on casual meeting that he's a bit crabby. Then you realize that it's only because he's busy and, also, a little impatient that one pair of gnarled hands can't cut enough string for the busy fingers of dozens of other people to tie.

Maryland Bridge  
Rabbi Aron added a word respecting one of the city's important dikes: "Since the army has taken over the protection of Maryland bridge, we have helped the benefit, as the soldiers help in building up the dike."

Rev. Donald R. Ortner, of Redeemer Lutheran, said in his talk with the Free Press, that his church has also benefited incidentally from the work to protect Maryland bridge. "The water would have been at our doors but for the big dike at the dike."

Another church, hard-hit by the gathering waters, was All Saints. The dike on the west side of Osborne street caused the floodwaters to rise to the steps of the church. In spite of this, the floors stood dauntlessly open at the service hour Sunday morning, in keeping with Rev. Stanley Rider's announcement that in spite of the flood, shortened services would be held in the unheated and unlighted church.

An increase in calls for meals was experienced at the Winnipeg Community church, which serves all denominations. "We served many meals," remarked the pastor, Rev. E. Hale McDaniel, and it brought back memories of the great depression, when we fed 7,000.

Beds And Meals  
West End churches rallied to the need. Chalmers, Harstone and Greenwood, and other churches set up beds in the church halls, and served food in the churches.

The halls were also used as Red Cross typhoid inoculation centres," said Rev. George Dyker, chairman of the Winnipeg presbytery of the United church. Asked as to dike work by United church ministers, Mr. Dyker said: "Immediately the evening services were over, the ministers changed to overalls and boots and went to work on the dikes and in other flood services."

In First Federated Unitarian, services were cancelled for the day. "The whole congregation was out on flood relief work," said the minister, Rev. P. M. Peterson. "The Winnipeg branch of the broke into boxes that had been packed for Europe and diverted the clothing toward flood relief."

QUICK WORK!  
This may be a speed record for job tenure. A university girl, Margaret Hill, reported for work one day last week. She was put to work. One hour later the firm, the Beaver Lumber company, evacuated and the new job disappeared.

## Churches Hold Services—Then Back To Floodtime Work

BY THE CHURCH EDITOR  
The situation in Winnipeg churches Sunday was aptly summarized by Archbishop L. Ralph Sherman in the city's largest single service—the diocese-wide family service in St. John's cathedral, heard by radio in every Anglican church in the diocese, and by other denominations swelling the great floodtime congregation in St. John's cathedral.

"This," said the archbishop, "is the third cataclysmic Sunday in my career in the pulpit. The first was the Sunday when the first world war was declared; the second, the Sunday after the second declaration of world war; the third Sunday is the present, when I speak to you in the midst of the worst flood in Winnipeg's history as a city."

Evacuated churches in the flooded areas across the Red had installed radios in fire halls and any other available building on high ground. In these, congregations and clergy gathered, their Sunday zeal fulfilled in the midst of a waste of waters.

"This flood," Archbishop Sherman went on, "is not so wide-spread as the mammoth flood of 1926, when the floodtime width of the Red river was 18 miles and its temporary banks nine miles east and nine miles west of its normal channel; but it is an incomparably greater disaster in your packed city of 1950."

St. Boniface Service  
The feature of the floodtime service at St. Boniface cathedral, where the whole parish lot is well-diked against emergencies, was the three-hour devotion in the afternoon. Father Leo Blais, the rector, conducted the services, which were well-attended, as the cathedral, in addition to being protected by dikes from Norwood bridge to Hebert, is on high ground with a well-elevated foundation.

In the hard-hit district of Norwood, there was an inter-denominational service at Norwood Presbyterian, where Rev. D. Warren Campbell, Presbyterian moderator, conducted service. "We are half-a-mile away from the water," Mr. Campbell said. "Norwood United and Norwood Church of Christ, I heard, have heard. All the local ministers, including myself, threw off our gowns and started at work on the dikes, as soon as services were over."

The great dike protecting Shaarey Zedek synagogue has held, and a reduced congregation gathered at the Saturday service. "I had on decent clothes in a good many days," said Rabbi Milton Aron.

"I am an old army man, and working on our dike was just like being back in the war again. In addition to our regular service, I passed on Brigadier Morton's message to my people—this message regarding additional prayer for floodtime. In our service we used the prayer provided in the Jewish liturgy for intercession on the occasion of floods."

## Food Banks Established In Winnipeg

Food banks sufficient to maintain 75,000 persons for five days have been set up at three points in Greater Winnipeg, J. M. Sinclair, chairman of the emergency flood relief committee, said Monday.

Mr. Sinclair said the estimate was made on the basis of army diet. He stressed there is no need for citizens to hoard food; that food supplies are sufficient to feed every body and more coming in.

Mr. Sinclair said there are 577,074 dozen tin cans of canned goods in the emergency food relief committee's stock. These are exclusive of stocks now in the hands of retailers.

## 13 Schools Remain Open; Seepage Shuts Others

Doors were closed in all but 13 of Winnipeg's schools Monday. Flood waters seeping into school basements and sewage difficulties continued to cut down the number of buildings considered by school authorities to be safe for pupils.

Attendance in the schools still open has fallen steadily with the removal of children from the city, officials said.

Children who have left the city will not be held back because of non-attendance. The provincial department of education has ruled grounds at Tuxedo.

## It Hurts Wives Most—They Create The Homes

My wife doesn't cry often—but she did Sunday.

We boated to our flooded Guilbault street house in St. Boniface—it was a shambles.

I didn't care much; possessions don't count for a lot and I'd only paid for the things that lay piled up and strewn around the place.

It was my wife that had put them together originally and made them into a home.

She'd done it twice before during the war in and around London, and had seen the lot broken up when the blitzes forced her out.

This was the third time it might just as well have been bombs.

What struck me hardest, and most was the vast amount of heartbreak that has been suffered by the women of Manitoba over the past few weeks.

They are the ones that have seen their long hours of work go by the board in a brief moment as the river waters took over their homes either in part or completely.

The men were busy, one way or another. They've got to work anyway and more furniture can always be bought for a new place.

But it will take a long time to replace the things women contributed to the wrecked houses in this province.

If I hadn't been so cold, I'd have been awfully mad at someone for this flood.

As it was, I had no waders and walked through the knee deep water with my pants rolled up when the boat grounded. And I couldn't get a taxi back.

And sightseers took pictures of me.

But there are thousands worse off than I—I didn't own the house. Neither did my wife—but she might well have for the work she'd put into it.

So when she saw it Sunday, she thought about all that, and cried. There were many tears being shed by women like her at the same moment, I guess.

The St. Boniface evacuation was in full swing.

So we left the place. Whether we'll go back depends on so many things. Right now the place doesn't seem worth looking at.

Abandon Ship  
Maybe I'll just move a truck in when things dry up and abandon ship. Many such decisions will have to be made in Manitoba during the next few weeks. Mine isn't even important.

But whatever happens, I'll never be able to replace the hours of waste labor my wife had put into the three homes we've had.

Maybe there won't be another flood, anyway—you never know your luck—S. S.

## Airlift Turns To Ill, Aged

Emphasis of the R.C.A.F.'s "Operation Redramp" has switched from flying sandbags and equipment into flood-besieged Winnipeg to moving aged stretcher patients out of the city.

Monday, five Dakota aircraft, carrying 15 patients each, all over 70 years, took off from Stevenson field for Regina, Medicine Hat, Lethbridge, Edmonton and Calgary.

The 75 patients from old folk's homes moved Monday brings the total of such cases evacuated by the R.C.A.F. to 295.

Before beginning to move Winnipeg's aged population, the R.C.A.F. flew into the city more than 1,000,000 pounds of vital requisited flood fighting equipment, mostly sandbags, pumps, rubber hose, hip-waders and electrical parts.

Sunday, 164 patients were flown from Winnipeg to neighboring provinces.

## Cleanliness Chief Foe Of Flood Water Germs

Precautions for safeguarding health during the flood emergency will be carried each day by the Free Press as a public service.

Parents are warned by health officials that most of the water lying on the streets has been contaminated by sewage or flooded rivers and children should not be allowed to play in this water or mud.

Even small cuts and scratches should be properly cleaned and first aid applied. Children's hands should be thoroughly washed before they eat or touch food. For washing, health authorities say there is no substitute for hot water and ordinary household soap.

Water standing in flooded basements should be disinfected regularly and health officials advise chlorine of lime or javel water. Solutions made with these disinfectants will also kill odors which may be unpleasant although health authorities say the odors are not harmful.

If you use fresh chlorine of lime, mix one pound with a little water in a pail to make a paste. Add enough water to fill the pail and allow the lime to settle. Use the clear liquid—it contains the useful chlorine—and distribute it as widely as possible over the standing water.

Follow the same instructions with javel water, using three pints to a pail of water.

This disinfecting should be done every four days and housewives are asked to do the job themselves rather than call their health department.

Householders rescuing food and drug products from flooded basements or other storage places are urged to make sure such products have not been contaminated.

Health authorities say a good slogan is, "If in doubt throw it out."

These rules are listed:

1. Destroy leafy vegetables, all fresh and cured meats, non-liquid foods such as dried fruits, cereals, shortenings and seasonings.
2. Root vegetables may be used if they are sound, thoroughly washed and cooked.
3. Canned and bottled goods including home preserves, may be used if the seal has not been damaged and if the contents show no sign of seepage. The containers should be washed with hot soap and hot water and sterilized by immersion for five minutes in a chlorine solution. Contents may be boiled as a precaution.
4. All contaminated drugs and medicines should be destroyed. Do not attempt to replace soaked or loosened labels because unlabelled drugs, even if they are not contaminated, should be destroyed. Do not leave children where they may be tempted to eat them.
5. All utensils and dishes should be thoroughly washed and sterilized by boiling or by immersion in a sterilizing solution.

Common sense and carefulness are the watchwords for health to people in flooded areas," says Dr. Maxwell Bowman, provincial epidemiologist.

Flood-borne sicknesses may enter your bodies on soiled hands, he warned. "People whose hands and clothing are soiled from working in flood waters should be careful to wash their hands well before they handle food and before they eat. Cuts and scratches should be cleaned and protected from dirty water and mud by a covering of cloth or tape."

Instructions and suggested health precautions are handed out to people attending many of the clinics for typhoid vaccination in Greater Winnipeg.

The printed slip says:

**Typhoid Vaccination**  
"Vaccination will protect you against typhoid fever. Anyone working in flood areas or living in homes with flooded or plugged basements needs this protection."

"Unless you have been vaccinated within the past 12 months you should attend a clinic or see your own doctor. Three injections—taken a week apart—are necessary for complete protection. Persons unable to return to the clinic where they received their first injection are urged to complete the series of three at the nearest clinic."

"If you depend on well water for drinking purposes, you are advised to boil the well water for 10 minutes before drinking it."

Everyone should be particularly careful to wash his hands thoroughly after working in flood water and before handling, serving or eating food."

## Fast Return To Homes May Present Problem

Trouble in restricting an early return of evacuees to now-flooded homes was anticipated at a meeting of Winnipeg's flood control committee Monday.

It was pointed out that the city would need time to take proper sanitation measures before the homes could be re-entered.

Chief of Police Charles MacIver declared however, that he would never be able to resist the influx of evacuees anxious to get back into their homes.

Expect Trouble  
"I anticipate a lot more trouble during the restoration period than during the actual flood emergency," he added.

A lot of flood victims were just waiting for the slightest drop in the river level to return to their homes, he pointed out.

"How are we supposed to stop them?" he queried.

It would be dangerous for citizens to return too early to their homes, W. D. Hurst, city engineer, stressed.

Mr. Hurst said the best way to stop over-anxious citizens from returning would be to keep the water out of now-flooded districts. The water has already been cut off in evacuated areas.

"They will carry water by the pail," remarked Ald. C. E. Simon.

"That's okay. At least, it will be pure water," replied Mr. Hurst.

## Phoney Evacuees Get Flood Relief; Jailed 6 Months

The maximum punishment allowed under the circumstances during the actual flood emergency was meted out Monday to three vagrants who pleaded guilty in police court to obtaining food and clothing from the Red Cross under false pretences.

Kenneth R. Ashley, 29, of Calgary, Harry Charles Snider, 28, of Sulbury and Frederick Grant, of no fixed address, were found guilty.

As a result of their story, according to Inspector of Detectives David Nicholson, the men received food, clothing and accommodation at the Y.M.C.A.

"City detectives are now giving the strictest supervision to all Red Cross depots, and other places where food and clothing are being issued, in an effort to stop this practice," Inspector Nicholson said.



# FALSE OPTIMISM DECRIED

## Province's Flood Relief Drive Gets Rolling

### Danger Still Great

The movement of water-groggy Winnipeggers out of their city slowed Tuesday as a stationary flood level and continued good weather led many to conclude the worst was past. This "false optimism" was decried by flood control authorities who warned that the danger is by no means over.

The mass exodus, greatest in Canadian history, has now seen an estimated 90,000 moved out of their homes. The authorities want many more to leave the city. They have pointed out that a heavy rain could endanger the city's vital utilities and might make it necessary to order total evacuation.

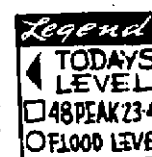
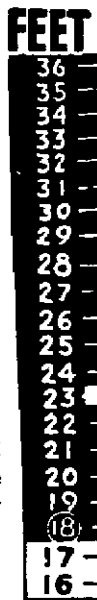
"A tragedy to life or further loss of property is still quite possible..." Brig. R. E. A. Morton, flood control commander, said in a radio broadcast Monday night. He urged more Winnipeggers, particularly women and children to leave the city, and asked them to discard the idea that the flood danger was past.

Another residential area of Winnipeg was evacuated Monday night on the advice of city officials as a "precautionary measure." The area takes in 10 city blocks in the Elmwood district. Majority of the people moved out of the city to cottages at summer resorts, it was understood.

Monday was the slowest day for the movement of people out of the Greater Winnipeg area since the flood control headquarters began keeping a close check on the number of evacuees.

Monday an estimated 8,502 left the city. Sunday, 11,300 left; Saturday the figure was 13,072 and Friday, 14,920.

**Highlights**  
Other exodus highlights:  
• Approximately 15,500 residents of St. Boniface have left.  
• Authorities are seeking to determine a river level at which it will be safe to call a halt to the evacuation.  
• Canadian Pacific railway estimated it moved 1,200 persons out Monday. This brings to 20,749 the



## Canada Gives \$100,000; Manitoba 'To Lead Way'

One contribution to the Manitoba Flood Relief fund was doubled Tuesday as the appeal for help to the province's thousands of homeless gathered force across Canada.

By Tuesday, the fund had passed the \$100,000 mark. The largest donation Monday came from the T. Eaton company — \$50,000 from the company itself and \$33,000 to date from employees of its western division.

The Ford Motor company has doubled its gift of \$5,000 "in light of the growing proportions of the flood," according to a wire received by flood officials late Monday.

"That response is most encouraging. We hope that every individual, every organization planning to give to the fund will try to double the contribution," officials said.

From the fund's new headquarters in the Great-West Life Assurance company building on Lombard avenue, appeals for help are going out to every province and every city in the dominion. Officials believe it is the largest relief campaign ever conducted in Canada's history.

Through the press and the radio, the plight of flood-stricken southern Manitoba is being brought home to the people of Canada. The response has been immediate and heart-warming.

Cities, towns, hamlets, church groups, fraternal organizations and individual subscribers are answering the call for financial help. Chartered banks across Canada are accepting donations and forwarding them to the fund headquarters.

Officials said Tuesday all contributions should be made either

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### Ottawa Footed Most Of Fraser Flood Bill

VICTORIA, B.C., May 16 (Special)—As provincial and municipal bodies in Manitoba spend money almost without limit in their battle against the Red river flood, it may be good news to them to know that in the Fraser river flood of 1948 the federal government paid 75 per cent. of these costs. Prime Minister St. Laurent already has promised to apply the B.C. formula to Manitoba.

The federal government, in 1948, put up cash in three separate ways to help the people of British Columbia. First, the federal government paid 75 per cent. of the cost of fighting the flood. Second, the federal government gave British Columbia a lump sum of \$5,000,000 to repair, rebuild or replace damage to property. Third, the federal government paid 75 per cent. of the cost of diking the river to prevent a recurrence of the flood. That was the formula to which Mr. St. Laurent referred a week ago in the House of Commons.

Manitoba's provincial campaign for the relief of her own flood victims has started to roll.

A provincial committee of the Manitoba Flood Relief fund was organized Tuesday with Allan H. Watson, manager of the Winnipeg branch of the Canadian Bank of Commerce and president of the

Winnipeg Chamber of Commerce, as chairman.

"Under the over-all dominion set-up, already established, each province is organizing to raise money within its borders for the Manitoba Flood Relief fund," he said. "Our organization is now complete and is starting to function."

He hit the keynote of the campaign when he said: "Manitoba must show the way."

The provincial organization for Manitoba has been set up by industries, businesses and professions. Representatives of all groups have been appointed and they will canvass each unit in their group.

With the exception of the professions, the direct canvass will be confined to employers. They in turn, will arrange for the firm's donation and will also canvass their employees.

"Our job here," Mr. Watson explained, "is to rehabilitate people. The fund will take over when evacuees are being returned to their homes. The money will be used to replace essential furniture, household effects and personal belongings, the loss of which will not be covered by any government help. Our job is to get the people back in their homes and turn an empty shell of a house back into a home again."

Manitoba Must Lead

He emphasized that the first responsibility in this case rested on Manitobans. Other provinces were already doing a wonderful job but it was up to the people of this province, above all others, to come to the aid of their fellow Manitobans.

"We fully appreciate that many

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### Temperatures

	Min.	Max.	Prec.
Vancouver	45	51	Tr.
Calgary	45	51	Tr.
Edmonton	42	51	Tr.
Swift Current	41	50	Tr.
Saskatoon	39	49	Tr.
Regina	36	54	Tr.
Brandon	34	50	Tr.
Winnipeg	33	44	Tr.
Port Churchill	24	31	Tr.
Port Arthur	24	49	Tr.
Toronto	42	68	Tr.
Ottawa	45	63	Tr.
Montreal	51	64	Tr.
Halifax	40	58	Tr.



Blasting operations were underway at Elm Park bridge Monday. At first glance, it would appear that the twin-spaced steel structure itself is on its way to Davey Jones' locker at the bottom of the murky Red river. However, the object of the blast was to unloose the roof of a summer cottage which had lodged against the bridge. Four two-pound charges of "gun-cap" were placed in the corners of the cabin, and other charges were laid among surrounding debris.

## Flood Battle Cost Set At \$4,000,000

The flood battle already has cost an estimated \$4,000,000. This amount does not cover losses such as damage to property. It relates only to expenditures involved in fighting the swollen waters.

The Manitoba government, the city of Winnipeg and the municipalities hit by the flood are calculated to have spent the following in this direction alone:

Manitoba government: \$2,000,000.  
City of Winnipeg: \$1,000,000.  
Municipalities: \$1,000,000.  
In addition to this figure of \$4,000,000 which is steadily growing, the Red Cross also is estimated at

### Clear-Out Ruling

A clear-out ruling on distribution of flood costs was to be demanded of Premier D. L. Campbell Tuesday afternoon.

The premier was to be approached by representatives of

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## 300 Families In Elmwood Cleared From Danger Area

As the surging crest of the flooded Red river pounded against water-soaked dike barriers Monday night, another ten city blocks in Winnipeg were evacuated by city authorities.

In Red-ridden rural Manitoba flood levels dropped from Emerson where they were up .05 of a foot Tuesday morning. Two points could not be checked as telephone and telegraph communications with them were out. They were Letellier and St. Jean Baptiste. Overnight the Red dropped 1.97 feet at

Fargo, a good omen as flood levels at this point are an indication of what they are to be here. At Morris the river fell .08 of a foot, but at Selkirk it was up two-tenths of a foot. There was no change at Lockport. The river at Winnipeg, described by one flood expert Tuesday as "on a wobbly crest," was still causing grave concern to flood control officials. Hastily thrown-up sand bag and earthen barriers still holding back flood waters from hundreds of homes in Greater Winnipeg, could still be breached at any moment, officials warned. Evacuation of women and children from the city was still being "urged" by army flood control headquarters Tuesday.

Meanwhile, the river level, which receded to 30.1 feet above datum at 9 p.m. Sunday, has shown no change for 40 hours. High point of 30.2 feet was reached late Saturday night.

The flood's death toll, so far small, almost added another victim Monday when a heavy fog-man Lt. Richard Titus, Halifax, got a line fouled with his oxygen supply while diving for lost hose near the Amphitheatre.

Aside from danger of dike breaks, the main threat to the flood-besieged city Tuesday was rain.

At noon the weather bureau forecast light rain Tuesday night and Wednesday morning with un-

settled conditions for two or three days.

It was expected that one-quarter of an inch of rain might fall by Wednesday afternoon. The rain, according to weather forecasters, seemed to be moving here in a northeasterly direction from both Saskatchewan and North Dakota. Light rains were reported Tuesday

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### Jutras Seeks Flood Power Explanation

OTTAWA, May 16 (CP) — The commons external affairs committee agreed Tuesday to call a high official of the international joint commission on "boundary waters for a report on its powers and plans to prevent recurrence of the Red river flood disaster."

It was indicated that he will appear at the next meeting, Thursday.

The request for his appearance came first from the parliamentary spokesman for the flooded rural area of Manitoba, who said the area must never again be left entirely without guidance as to what to expect.

Rene Jutras (L-Provencher) said his flooded constituency had relied entirely on Winnipeg for guidance about the flood danger.

No Guidance Offered

"But apparently Winnipeg did

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## Governments Seeking Out 2 Flood Loss Appraisers

OTTAWA, May 16 (Special)—The federal and provincial governments are consulting on the personnel of a joint commission to appraise losses from the Red river flood, and information here is that the appointments will be announced "very soon."

But at last reports the two governments were still looking for the pair of individuals who will have the time as well as the exacting qualifications to undertake the job.

The terms of reference to the commission, it is understood, are already drafted. They will be announced at the same time as the commission itself is named.



Tree-top level bombing—with hay—from a Manitoba Government air service plane is keeping alive herds of livestock isolated on mounds of high ground between Emerson and Winnipeg. In this air photo by Free Press staff photographer Jack Ablett, about six horses and 18 cows are shown stranded on a road just north of Morris about to receive a feed. The

bale of hay, to the left and slightly below the plane, landed right on the mark, burst open and was quickly surrounded by 24 hungry animals. In one and a half days, ending Monday, two "Operation Haylift" pilots had dropped 8,000 pounds of feed in manoeuvres like this. (See pictures on page 7.)

### Small Talk



"I wonder if that dike will hold?"



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## Red Cross Messages Await Unregistered Evacuees

"Somebody may be looking for you," is the new slogan adopted by the Red Cross flood relief headquarters in the city auditorium. The slogan is prompted by the thousands of messages, phone calls, telegrams and letters pouring in to the Red Cross each day from anxious relatives and friends attempting to locate evacuated people. Many of these messages cannot be delivered, because the addressees have not notified the Red Cross of their new address. The Red Cross have complete records of persons actually evacuated under their care, but many thousands of people who left town on their own are not recorded. The Red Cross requests all who have been forced out of their homes by the flood to register at Flood Relief H.Q. as soon as possible, by telephone, wire, or letter, regardless of whether they need help or not. With this information available, these urgent messages could be delivered.

### GOOD NEIGHBORS' CLUB ENTERTAINED BY TROUPE

The cheerful concert troupe turned out Sunday evening to entertain some 150 members of the Good Neighbors' club with a variety programme, which was directed by Miss Mabelle Monnington. Accompanists were Florence Milne and Robert Kesler, while the master of ceremonies was Edgar A. Rose. Participating in the programme were Helen Hendry, Lowell Wood, Miss Milne and Miss Monnington, Paul Munson, Gloria Palmer and Jack Oldfield. Refreshments were provided by the Rebekah district No. 2, I.O.O.F.

### FLOOD HOLIDAYS END FOR ST. JAMES' PUPILS

Flood holidays for St. James' junior high and high school students have come to an end. T. B. Findlay, chairman of the St. James school board, said Monday, Tuesday morning all junior high school pupils, those in grades seven, eight and nine, were back at their respective schools, while senior high school students will report at 9 a.m. Wednesday to St. James' college. According to Mr. Findlay, authority has been given to principals to organize work groups if any flood emergency arises during school hours.

## Still No Typhoid Reported in Manitoba

Although 31 new cases of measles were recorded in Manitoba during the seven days ending May 13, to top the list of communicable diseases for that period, there were no instances of typhoid fever or paratyphoid reported, a release from Dr. Maxwell Bowman, director of preventive medical services, revealed. In addition no typhoid carriers were discovered. The new cases of measles brought the province's total for the year to date to 715. Also high on the list of communicable diseases for the week were tuberculosis and chicken pox, 14 and 11 new cases respectively being reported. Yearly totals for these ailments now stand at 298 and 486 respectively. Other communicable diseases, with yearly totals in brackets, are: erysipelas, 2 (27); influenza, 8 (63); German measles, 2 (6); mumps, 3 (151); lobar pneumonia, 2 (88); scarlet fever, 3 (171); and tetanus, 1 (1).

### FAMILY ALLOWANCE CHECKS GO OUT TO 107,000

In a story published in the Free Press, it was stated that the district family allowance department had distributed 1,007 family allowance checks a week earlier in anticipation of flood evacuations and disruptions. The number of checks should have been 1,000, H. Megaffin, district treasury officer, pointed out Tuesday. These were turned out by department personnel who kept machines going 38 hours to complete the task.

### Order Of Scottish Clans Offers Assistance

Sympathy and offers of aid have been extended to Winnipeggers by the Royal Order of Scottish Clans, United States and Canada. "Should there be any distress among our Auld Folk, we would appreciate hearing from some of you with suggestions as to how the Royal Clan can best help," said Gilbert Carmichael, chief of the order, in a telegram received by the Free Press Tuesday. "We learn through the daily press and radio of the serious flood conditions in your beautiful city, and we are naturally greatly worried about our clansmen and their families in Winnipeg and vicinity. We sincerely hope none of them have suffered personal or property damage." It read. The telegram from Minneapolis, expressed "deepest sympathy for the people of Winnipeg in the unexpected calamity that has visited them, and all good wishes that conditions will soon revert to normal."

### EVERY POSSIBLE EFFORT MADE TO SUPPLY BAGS

Every effort "physically possible" has been made by the city to supply individual needs for sand bags, Ald. C. E. Simonite told city council Monday night. However, the city's first responsibility was for protection of vital utilities during the crisis, he pointed out. "I want to assure those people who didn't get their sand bags that we were not neglecting them. But all equipment just had to be centered on the utilities and the major dikes," he said.

### East Kildonan Council Meeting Brief

The East Kildonan council held one of its shortest meetings on record Monday. The session lasted 40 minutes. Reason? You guessed it. Council members have turned their backs on the city for the past two weeks. Mayor J. B. Biehl, his six councillors and secretary P. E. C. Byers have been actively engaged in dike work in East Kildonan. "I've been so busy with the flood that I haven't had much time to prepare for this meeting," Mr. Byers said. The main item on the short business agenda was council's acceptance of the Central Mortgage and Housing corporation plan to apply the rent levy on its 1948 and 1949 peace-time housing projects in the municipality at the rate of 60 cents for every \$100 of combined cost of the projects. This council agreed, would make for an over-all equalization of rent paid by the tenants.

## Planning Urged For Rehabilitation

Evidence of a slow drift back to normalcy was spurring Winnipeg's flood control committee Tuesday to speed up rehabilitation plans. The major problem facing the committee was the extent of its jurisdiction over the flooded areas, not only in Winnipeg proper, but in the whole of Greater Winnipeg. It was agreed that the entire problem must be treated on a "metropolitan" basis, but doubts were expressed over the city's power or ability to plan for suburban areas as well as the city proper.

### Planning Urged

"I want a plan to clean up Greater Winnipeg as fast as we can without unduly affecting the city proper. We must start planning... we can't wait for the provincial government," declared Ald. C. Simonite. If the provincial government told the city to stop at its own boundaries, the rehabilitation problem would become "most complicated," Ald. Simonite commented. "I think we are almost compelled to go over our own boundaries. But we have got to arrange finances with the provincial government. We haven't got the money... and the municipalities certainly haven't got any," he added.

### It was agreed:

That the Greater Winnipeg Water and Sanitary districts except for a possible lack of working personnel, might be able to handle the waterworks and sanitation situation in both the city and most of the suburbs. That the restoration of electrical services could be handled as a separate matter by the utilities com-

## Winnipeg Unions Request AFL And CIO Flood Aid

Winnipeg's three central labor groups, the T.L.C., C.C.L., and O.E.U., in a resolution passed Monday, made an urgent appeal to the American Federation of Labor, headed by William Green, and the Congress of Industrial Organizations, headed by Philip Murray, to organize a drive on an international basis in aid of the Manitoba flood relief fund.

Combined membership of the A.F.L. and the C.I.O. it has been reported, is more than the entire population in Canada.

The appeal to the A.F.L. is to be made through the Trades and Labor Congress of Canada, headed by Percy Bengough, and to the C.I.O. by the Canadian Congress of Labor, headed by A. R. Mosher.

In addition, each local of the international union here is to make a direct appeal for financial assistance to its own international headquarters in the United States.

Both Canadian congresses of labor have already made appeals to their affiliated unions in Canada for contributions for Winnipeg flood victims.

The decision to make an appeal to the two powerful central labor bodies in the United States was made after representatives of the three local central labor groups had discussed the desperate need of money for the rehabilitation of flood sufferers.

Murphy Heads Body It was unanimously agreed that those attending the meeting constitute a permanent trades union committee of the Manitoba Flood relief fund, and Andrew Murphy, chairman of the provincial executive of T.L.C., was chosen its chairman. Other executive members of the committee are G. S. Borgford, secretary of the Winnipeg Labor council, C.C.L., and Sid Shee, secretary of the O.E.U. central labor council.

The groups endorsed an appeal made by Premier D. L. Campbell to the employers that no deductions be made from their employees' pay if they were working on the dikes. It was reported that some employers have made deductions from the pay of employees who lost time while working on the dikes.

Jobless Payments Another resolution, endorsed by the committee, suggested to Prime Minister Louis St. Laurent and Hon. Humphrey Mitchell, federal minister of labor, that an order-in-council be passed suspending a nine-day waiting period under the unemployment insurance act in Greater Winnipeg during the flood emergency period.

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The committee, meeting in Montreal Monday under the co-presidents, Samuel A. Schwisberg, Montreal and Edward E. Gelber, Toronto, adopted a resolution voting assistance to flood victims and voiced its sympathy.

The resolution stated: "The executive of the Zionist Organization of Canada, on behalf of its members throughout the dominion, recognizing the Winnipeg flood disaster as a national emergency, expresses its deepest sympathy for the sufferers and is contributing \$1,000 to the Canadian Red Cross to help the flood victims."

In action, each local of the international union here is to make a direct appeal for financial assistance to its own international headquarters in the United States.

Both Canadian congresses of labor have already made appeals to their affiliated unions in Canada for contributions for Winnipeg flood victims.

The decision to make an appeal to the two powerful central labor bodies in the United States was made after representatives of the three local central labor groups had discussed the desperate need of money for the rehabilitation of flood sufferers.

Murphy Heads Body It was unanimously agreed that those attending the meeting constitute a permanent trades union committee of the Manitoba Flood relief fund, and Andrew Murphy, chairman of the provincial executive of T.L.C., was chosen its chairman. Other executive members of the committee are G. S. Borgford, secretary of the Winnipeg Labor council, C.C.L., and Sid Shee, secretary of the O.E.U. central labor council.

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## Dikes Hold Balance Of Victory Or Defeat, Must Be Watched

Compacency. This was the word that Tuesday most bothered the men in charge of operations on Greater Winnipeg flood dikes. Being reinforced on both sides at Lyndale drive, the extensive

bulwark was holding — whether permanently, no one could say. In Fort Garry, nearly five miles of main and secondary dikes were being reinforced on both sides against a south wind that could

breach them and send inestimable quantities of water over River Heights, Tuxedo and Wellington Crescent.

If this happened, thousands of homes, some of them miles from the dike itself, would be swamped. In addition, a breached Fort Garry wall might result in similar catastrophe at Lyndale.

Wind and rain were the enemies the dike workers fought as they labored at the Fort Garry points where heavy seepage overcame parts of the dike.

Leaders of operations on the Lyndale and Fort Garry dikes were afraid of a third enemy — an "it's all over but the shouting" attitude on the part of Greater Winnipeggers.

They planned action to counteract such wishful thinking. One plan, voiced by W. A. (Shorty) Kennedy, at Fort Garry, included conducting tours of dikes for the volunteers so they could be shown the real danger of the situation.

Some of them could see it from the municipal hall windows — 200 yards from Pembina highway dike. Here water edged against the top of the wall where it crossed the road.

Water Is High In other places the water behind this dike were 4½ feet higher than those at the James avenue pumping station.

The dike extended in the north from Merriam boulevard down Riverside Drive, along Point road to cross Crane and Holly avenues. It crossed Pembina highway to run up Hudson street and down McGillivray boulevard, itself a natural dike, sandbagged on the south side.

The precarious conditions existing along this wall existed to the same extent at Lyndale. More than 1,000 persons manned the Fort Garry dike in a round-the-clock operation of sandbagging, inspection and patrol.

"The danger is at its worst right now," one official said. "We are not fighting a river, we are fighting a lake, and a lake washes."

"This one is five feet deep with a continual wave beat — that's why we're sandbagging back and forth."

At Fort Garry there was no shaggy manpower. Mr. Kennedy headed up a combination of community clubs that supplied much of it.

Included in the group were the River Heights club, of which he is president, the Crescentwood, Lord Roberts, Sir John Franklin and Fort Garry clubs.

On Point road and Oak drive were two of the most dangerously weakened spots, it was reported Tuesday morning.

Dike patrollers, using dike telephones, asked that troops be sent to these areas to sandbag against military wind and rain.

Since Thursday the army had been working along with civilians to hold this important line.

The troops had taken over a tourist camp not a mile from the municipal building headquarters, which was itself heavily sandbagged as waters crept around it.

Earlier in the operation the Fort Garry group had lost Willowood — it was determined not to lose more ground.

Nevertheless, a secondary wall had to be built across Crane and Holly avenues as the situation worsened at weekly intervals.

To the west of Pembina highway a vast quantity of water was held in check by a natural barrier formed by McGillivray boulevard and the Canadian National tracks.

It formed a lake that, whipped by a wind, could breach McGillivray and cause unbounded destruction.

Against this threat plans last week were to blast out the railway tracks so the water could spread thinner behind the main wall.

This became unnecessary when a culvert was opened and the water's force tore it wide apart. It made little difference in the over-all level of waters held back along the five-mile wall.

Dike officials were not afraid, Tuesday, of their walls collapsing. They were afraid they would slip off their bases, worst this by the continual lap-lap of the flood.

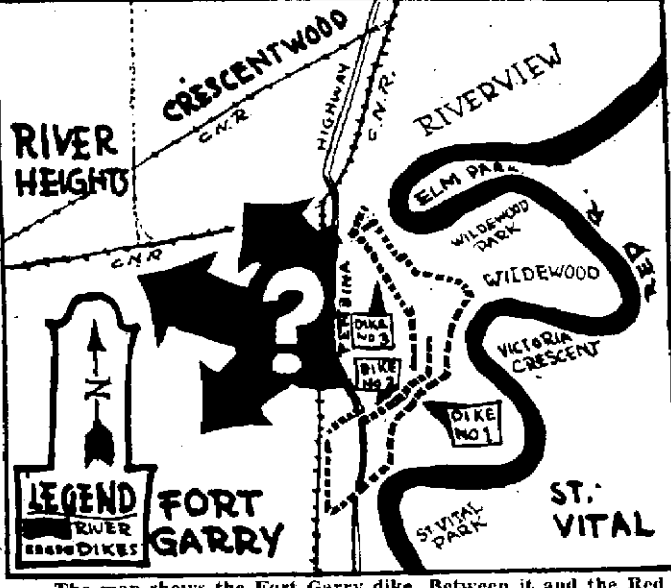
At Fort Garry it was felt that Greater Winnipeggers were unaware of the importance to the city of a strong bulwark there. "Don't think the danger's over, it isn't," they said. "Wind or rain could blow this thing wide open."

Ascension Day Prayers Follow Flood Theme

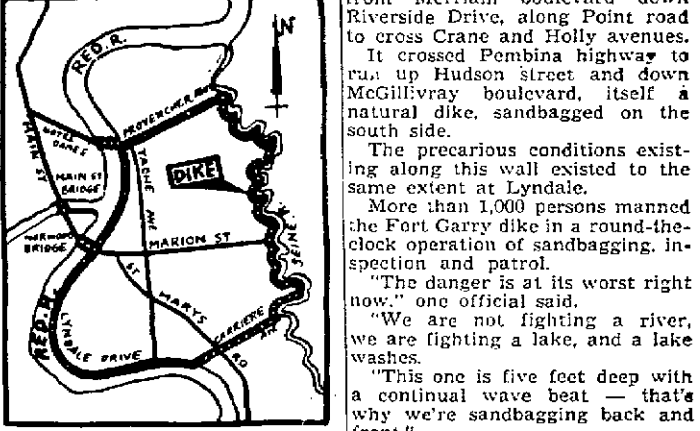
The Rogation days — the three days preceding Ascension Day — devoted usually to general prayers for divine bounty during the season of sowing, have this year been concentrated by Winnipeg churches on prayers for the abatement of the flood. Ascension day services Thursday will culminate these special prayers.

Special attention to Ascension Day will be paid by the Roman Catholic, Anglican and Lutheran congregations of the city. In some cases the services will be postponed to Sunday, this being less due to evacuation than to the fact that members of congregations will be busy fighting the flood. Due to the coincidence of the Ascension day date this year on the Julian and Gregorian calendars, Greek Orthodox congregations will join in the observance Thursday.

Anglican Churches Typical of Ascension Day services in Anglican churches will be sung mass at 9:30 a.m. in St. Michael and All Angels led by Rev. W. C. Turney; sung Eucharist in



The map shows the Fort Garry dike. Between it and the Red river is mostly inundated. On the other side is Pembina highway and the River Heights area which is threatened should the dike break.



Here is the area in Norwood protected by the Lyndale Drive dike which so far has held fast. Experts fear undermining by the flood waters under the sandbags could cause the wall to slip off its base with a disastrous rush of water through the area.

## Areas South Of City Like Giant New Lake

BY ELMAN GUTTMORSON There is a new, but temporary, lake in southern Manitoba. It stretches from far south of Emerson on the international border to the northern outskirts of Greater Winnipeg, thins out, then bulges out again over the Netley marshes at the south end of Lake Winnipeg.

Monday, along with other news, this reporter flew over the flooded Red river valley from Emerson to the mouth of the Red river.

We travelled in an R.C.A.F. twin-engine Beechcraft, piloted by L. S. E. Nickerson, group operations officer, Tactical Group Headquarters, Winnipeg.

Taking off at 4:15 p.m. on the first of our 300-mile trip, we circled the municipalities of Fort Garry and St. Vital.

Both suburbs are inundated, forming part of the enormous lake. The large campus of the University of Manitoba is completely flooded as well as the Willowood district to the north.

Cars Abandoned Highway No. 75 which extends from Winnipeg to Emerson has one third of its surface covered with water. Hundreds of cars have been parked on the dry portions of the highway for the duration of the flood. Dozens of cars which were left on once dry areas are now completely under water with only the roof tops visible.

Small herds of horses and cattle have been left to graze on the dry sections of the highway and the railway tracks where hay has been left for them to feed on.

The main street in towns along the highway are lined with abandoned cars and trucks. In some places the vehicles have been "jacked-up" out of the water's reach.

Puddled Areas A reporter on the plane, who flew over the valley a week ago, told us that large sections of land which were completely inundated with shallow water on his last trip were now soggy, puddled areas.

Although hundreds of square miles have been flooded by the belligerent Red, very little of this territory is on the east side of the river. The lake extends as far as the eye can see to the west.

Five miles south-west of flood-besieged Emerson, our attention was drawn to a large cloud of smoke. At first it appeared as if a plane had crashed, but closer inspection revealed an old hay

his remaining strength, he slashed the tangled line free with his knife.

Lifted into the duck, "Tiny" was given the week-end arrangement. He must have gone without the precious stuff for about one and one half minutes," said a navy spokesman.

"Another 30 seconds and he would have had it!"

Still a little "woozy," Lieut. Titus is reported to be ready for more diving Tuesday, with oxygen this time, please.

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Battling to the surface carrying hose, rope, buoy and his 25 pounds of equipment, the 24-pound frogman groped the side of the duck. With all

Two young evacuees from St. Norbert are fully convinced "the course of true love never runs smooth." Miss Deloraine Martel and Camille Dorge, who were forced to leave their homes in St. Norbert, May 7, were married

later, they were forced to leave. The day they were sent to Winnipeg.

Red Cross officials did not learn of the wedding plans until Sunday evening. They quickly provided an honor-guard for the ceremony, and arranged for a reception in Sparling hall Tuesday afternoon.

"We have had to cancel our plans for a wedding trip," said the young bride. "We had intended to be married in June, but when both of us were evacuated we decided to be married now in Winnipeg."

The bride wore a gown of white satin and net, and carried a bouquet of feathered white and pink carnations. The marriage rites were performed by Father Alferic St. Laurent, a cousin of the bride's mother.

"Camille and Deloraine met one year ago when they were groomsmen and bridesmaid at my son's wedding," said Mrs. Gerald Martel, mother of the bride. "They have been engaged since Christmas."

The newlyweds do not plan to leave the city at present, although both are eager to return to their home in St. Norbert.

Meanwhile, the bride's parents have been informed they are to be evacuated for a third time. They expect to be sent to emergency shelter in Brandon Tuesday.

## Frogman Escapes Death After Oxygen Line Fouled

A navy frogman came within 30 seconds of losing his life Monday when his vital oxygen line became fouled while he was salvaging hose line in a flooded Winnipeg street.

Lieut. Richard "Tiny" Titus, six-foot-five-inch frogman from Halifax, was trying to recover sections of 9,000 feet of hose line abandoned beneath 10 feet of water near the corner of Colony street and Whitehall behind the amphitheatre.

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U Gold Medalists - Flood Fighters All

Winnipeg: Clearing this evening. Variable cloudiness Thursday. Warmer. Low tonight and high Thursday, 40 and 60.



JOHN L. JOHNSTON Manitoba Pharmaceutical association gold medal, the Flexon silver medal and the Mal-linckrodt prize in pharmaceutical chemistry. ALAN DAVID RACKOW University gold medal in electrical engineering and the J. H. Schumacher memorial prize. MYRTLE ALICE SIEGRIST University gold medal in science honors. FRED RUPPEL University gold medal in pharmacy; Manitoba Pharmaceutical association silver medal and the association president's prize. JOHN FRANCIS TROWER Lieutenant-Governor's gold medal in agriculture; the alumnae association jubilee award.

University Graduates Record Class Of 1,551

Names of the largest graduating class in the history of the University of Manitoba - 1,551 students - were released today by the university. It was the third consecutive year of record numbers. Last year's class totalled 1,526 - predicted at that time as likely to be the university's all-time high.

64 Awarded Gold Medals And Prizes

Winners of 64 of the highest awards the University of Manitoba can confer on graduating students - gold and silver medals, fellowships, and prizes - were announced Tuesday by Douglas Chevrier, university registrar.

Out of a total of 1,551 degree and diploma graduates, 17 students qualified for university gold medals.

See complete results of graduation on page 3.

14 were recipients of other medals, five were granted fellowships, and 28 received cash and book prizes. There were three triple award winners - Roy Albert Gallagher of law, and James Lawrence Johnston and Fred Ruppel, both of pharmacy.

Mr. Gallagher won the university gold medal in law, the Manitoba law society prize, and the Carswell company prize. The university gold medal in pharmacy, and the Manitoba pharmaceutical association silver medal and president's prize all went to Mr. Ruppel. Mr. Johnston's three awards were the Manitoba pharmaceutical association gold medal, the Flexon silver medal, and the Malinckrodt prize in pharmaceutical chemistry.

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Majority Of Theatres Are Re-Opening Today

Most of Winnipeg's flood-closed movie theatres re-opened their doors Wednesday. The city's flood control committee authorized 22 theatres to open again. These include: Odeon, Capital, Metropolitan, Starland, Arlington, College, Colonial, Crescent, De Luxe, Elm, Fox, Furby, Gaiety, Garrick, Oak, Osborne, Palace, State, Times, Tower, Uptown, and Valour theatres. It was agreed by the flood control committee that re-opening of the theatres would contribute greatly to boosting the morale of flood-weary citizens. Other theatres, numbering about 15 in all, will likely be ready to open next week. E. G. Simpson, engineer of inspections for the city, advised. The major problem facing these theatres is trouble with electrical wiring, he said. The city's flood committee was advised that Brig. R. E. A. Morton, army flood control director, was in favor of opening the theatres provided it did not produce a traffic problem. "I don't think it will worsen the traffic situation. It will keep sightseers away from the dikes," Chief of Police Charles MacIver declared. He also felt that the re-opening of the theatres would not seriously deplete the forces. In the case of the Uptown theatre it will not open until Thursday night with a Sneak Preview. The Crescent and Osborne theatres were also not prepared to open before Thursday. The first movie house to open after the flood was the Valour, which decided to resume operations Tuesday night. A crowd, mostly women and children, quickly gathered and a matinee was immediately scheduled for Wednesday.

Free Press Honors Norwegian Holiday Today is the national holiday of Norway and in compliance to Norwegian people living in Canada, the flag of that country, a blue and white cross on a red ground, flies from the Free Press flagstaff all day.

GREST ROLLS AT PEAK

Flood Relief Fund Needs Minimum Of \$10 Million

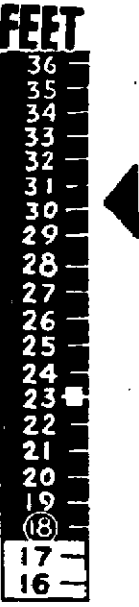
Unless a minimum of \$10,000,000 is contributed to the Manitoba Flood Relief fund, the more than \$5,000 victims of the Red River valley disaster face the most tragic mass ruination in Canadian history. This was made clear Tuesday night when H. W. Manning, general chairman of the fund and vice-president and general manager of the Great-West Life Assurance company, revealed the full objective of the fund, and announced the day's receipts to be \$113,457. An Ontario committee will be formed Thursday in Toronto to make a united appeal in aid of the Manitoba Flood Relief fund, it was learned at national headquarters in the annex of the Great-West Life Assurance company here. This committee will be formed through the efforts of the Toronto Board of Trade and Chamber of Commerce, the Canadian Manufacturers' association and other interested groups. The Canadian Chamber of Commerce issued an appeal to Canadian business interests Tuesday to assist flood-stricken Manitoba and the fire-ravaged Quebec towns of Rimouski and Cabano. J. H. Brace, chairman of the national chamber's executive council, said that the appeal would be circulated among 650 member chambers and its 2,100 member companies. Sympathy and aid was coming in Wednesday from all sources, including several British cities which have known disaster in the past. Some of these are: A cablegram from the Lord Mayor of Coventry, England, to Mayor Garnet Coulter of Winnipeg. "The citizens of Coventry send their sincere sympathy to your citizens in their suffering from the disastrous Red river floods and hope for speedy return to normal conditions," (Mayor Coulter replied saying: "Your message of sympathy deeply appreciated.") A cablegram from the Lord Mayor of London to Mayor Coulter: "Greatly grieved to hear of disaster to your town and residents. Citizens of London join me in expressing deepest sympathy with all those who are homeless and have suffered loss through the floods. (Signed) Frederick Rowland, Lord Mayor." (Cablegram received and greatly appreciated," Winnipeg's mayor cabled back.) A cablegram from the Lord Mayor of Maidenhead, England: "All sympathy from people of Maidenhead who suffered severe floods in 1947. Local flood relief fund opened for Winnipeg." ("Thanks. Message of sympathy and offer of help greatly appreciated," Mayor Coulter replied.) A donation of \$15,000 was received from General Motors of

Reports Brighter At South Points

Level of the Red river flood crest, now rolling through Greater Winnipeg, remained at its peak stage of 30.2 feet above datum Wednesday after rising more than an inch late Tuesday afternoon.

Ottawa Names Flood Probe Commission

OTTAWA, May 17 (Special) - Prime Minister Louis St. Laurent announced in the commons Wednesday agreement with Manitoba on Red river flood fact-finding commission. Its members are D. Bruce Shaw, Winnipeg investment banker, and J. G. Carswell, Vancouver engineer, who was chairman of the Fraser Valley Diking Board. Meanwhile Prime Minister Louis St. Laurent has not yet replied to the request received Wednesday from Premier D. L. Campbell to make a personal inspection of the flood area. There is reason to believe that the prime minister is anxious to go, but the time is uncertain. The situation does not appear to have changed since Tuesday, when he replied to a question from Stanley Knowles of Winnipeg North Centre in the commons. Mr. Knowles had asked if he would consider going to Winnipeg this week. Tuesday night light rain in the Winnipeg district amounted to only .07 inches. These were the main developments in the Winnipeg flood picture Wednesday: Although evacuation has slowed, close to 100,000 persons have quit the city to date. Brigadier R. E. A. Morton, army flood control commander, asked citizens of St. Boniface to register for volunteer labor. Flood control was still viewing the dike situation with apprehension, but so far no serious breaks have occurred. Evacuees are being cautioned to remain where they are until told to return to homes. James avenue pumping station level reading at 1 p.m. Wednesday was 30.2 feet above datum. The river rose from 30.1 between 4 and 5 p.m. Tuesday after remaining steady for 43 hours. It had previously dropped from the 30.2 peak at 9 p.m. Sunday. Official figures from arm.



A Day's Pay From Manitobans: Aim Of Local Fund Organizers

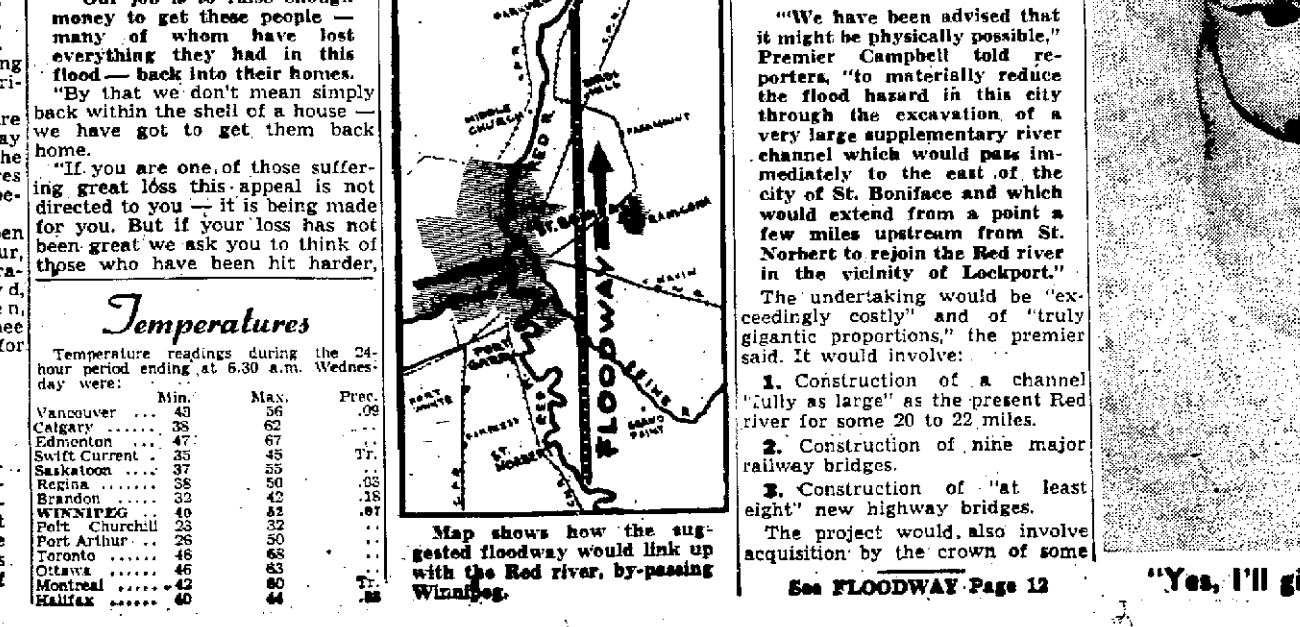
Manitoba's indomitable spirit Tuesday faced a challenge. It was that of refitting the homes of this province's innumerable flood victims. As the campaign of the Manitoba Relief fund went into high gear from a standing start, three things were decided immediately: 1. Manitoba itself must show the world the way. 2. Every citizen here will be asked for at least a one-day pay contribution. 3. A canvass concentration will be on business, industry and the professions. "Manitoba must lead the way," Allan H. Watson, committee chairman, stated, as he outlined campaign plans.

First Responsibility Manitobans must remember the responsibility of aiding their suffering fellow citizens falls first on the rest of the province's people the chairman continued. "The people of other provinces will look to see what kind of a job Manitoba is doing in this relief fund campaign. It is up to us to give a lead. Manitoba must show the way," Mr. Watson said. "Speed is vital. A great deal of

Engineers Study Diversion Scheme

Manitoba government engineers are making preliminary investigations into a possible 20 to 22-mile multi-million dollar "floodway" to divert surplus waters of the Red river around Greater Winnipeg. Premier Douglas L. Campbell announced at a press conference Tuesday night. Premier Campbell also disclosed that he has sent wires to Prime Minister Louis St. Laurent; Hon. Douglas Abbott, minister of finance, and Hon. Stuart Garson, minister of justice, asking them to make an immediate personal visit to the flooded Red river valley area.

The wire, signed by Mr. Campbell and Mayor Garnet Coulter, of Winnipeg, on behalf of the flooded Manitoba municipalities, asks the federal officials to "come here at once to acquaint yourselves personally with the extent of the situation and to hasten the arrival at agreement on an assistance formula." "We have been advised that it might be physically possible," Premier Campbell told reporters, "to materially reduce the flood hazard in this city through the excavation of a very large supplementary river channel which would pass immediately to the east of the city of St. Boniface and which would extend from a point a few miles upstream from St. Norbert to rejoin the Red river in the vicinity of Lockport." The undertaking would be "exceedingly costly" and of "truly gigantic proportions," the premier said. It would involve: 1. Construction of a channel "fully as large" as the present Red river for some 20 to 22 miles. 2. Construction of nine major railway bridges. 3. Construction of "at least eight" new highway bridges. The project would also involve acquisition by the crown of some



Small Talk



Legend TODAY'S LEVEL 48 PEAK 23.4 OF 1000 LEVEL Light Showers Are Predicted For Thursday Light showers for Thursday is the worst the weatherman could predict in his report Wednesday. Possibility of any heavy precipitation during the next 48 hours is "very slight," according to the forecaster. He reported a light rain fell during Tuesday night - .07 inches to be exact. Warmer weather is expected Thursday with the low and high at 41 and 60.

Temperatures Temperature readings during the 24-hour period ending at 5:30 a.m. Wednesday were: Min. Max. Prec. Vancouver 43 56 .09 Calgary 38 52 .02 Edmonton 47 67 .01 Swift Current 35 48 .01 Saskatoon 37 53 .01 Regina 38 50 .03 Brandon 32 42 .01 Winnipeg 40 42 .01 Port Churchill 23 32 .01 Port Arthur 25 30 .01 Toronto 48 60 .01 Ottawa 46 63 .01 Montreal 42 60 .01 Halifax 40 60 .01



# CAMPBELL PLEDGES AID

## Dike Holds Back Disaster

### Too Few Workers On Job

A thin line of sandbags about six miles long is now holding back a 70-mile muddy lake from flowing into the Winnipeg residential areas of River Heights and Crescentwood, flood control headquarters claimed Thursday.

While high winds from the south threatened to boost the water level over the top of the barrier, there were not enough men to man sandbags.

Engineers in charge of the operation said Thursday noon that a

Level of the Red river at 1 p.m. Thursday, as recorded at the James Avenue pumping station, was still 30.5 feet above datum. It has remained at this peak now for almost 48 hours.

call for 250 volunteers had only brought out 180 men.

Flood control called the situation "extremely bad" and prepared to throw all resources into the fight to hold back the large body of water.

In addition, Lyndale dike, bastion of Norwood, would be seriously threatened if the vast quantities of water dammed at Fort Garry broke loose.

Main concern Thursday morning was for two miles of the Fort Garry wall that stretched along McGillivray boulevard.

Water here rose six inches overnight as strong south winds swept it against the already waterlogged dike.

Wind was the enemy of the hundreds who have manned this dike since the floods began.

Officials in the municipal building, taken over long ago as flood headquarters, cursed the complacency that was leading Greater Winnipeggers into thinking flood danger no longer existed.

The officials were planning to blast the Canadian National railways' line which parallels the Red river and Pembina highway.

One of the most serious effects of a breached Fort Garry dike would be the flooding of the Canadian National yards and shops there.

City engineering officials, however, said they were not worried.

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Rough winds buffeting the flood water against this thin line of sandbags at the Fort Garry dike, crossing the Pembina highway was termed "extremely hazardous" Thursday by army engineers. Feverish activity to build the weak section higher can be seen as men pile bag after bag against the crushing wall of water.

## Exodus Bogs Down; Keep Moving—Morton

More citizens were urged to leave Winnipeg by flood control authorities Thursday, as they scanned figures showing that the exodus had slowed considerably despite the threat of flood disaster still hanging over the city.

Wednesday was the slowest day for the movement out of Winnipeg. Only 4,325 persons departed, raising the total exodus to 93,224. Thursday the evacuation total is expected to exceed the 100,000 mark.

**Situation Unchanged**  
Brig. R. E. A. Morton, flood control commander, was asked at his daily press conference Thursday if the authorities were still anxious to have Winnipeggers leave the city. He replied, "very definitely, we want more to go. The situation has not changed."

He was referring to warnings by engineers that the threat of a possible disaster in Greater Winnipeg would not end until the Red river has dropped about five feet. One day's heavy rain could make the situation critical.

Authorities are worried on two counts:

1. The decline in the number leaving the city indicates that the warmer weather and sunshine has lulled Winnipeggers into believing the danger is past.

2. There is a possibility some of the evacuees might want to return to the city before the danger period is over.

Flood control headquarters has had both railways wire their offices outside the inundated area asking that it be made quite clear to evacuees that they cannot re-enter their homes until sanitary conditions and electrical attachments are in proper order.

The word has been passed on to Vancouver, Toronto and Montreal for relay and throughout the prairie region where refugees have been taken in. It asks all rail representatives to return when flood waters start to recede of the exact situation which will prevail in rehabilitation.

**Evacuee Figures**  
Wednesday 1,233 evacuees left by bus; 25 by R.C.A.F.; 129 by Trans-Canada Air lines; one by Canadian Pacific Air lines; 1,512 by Canadian National railways; 825 by Canadian Pacific railway and 600 by private car.

The greatest movement in one day was last Friday when 14,920 persons left the city. Other totals were: Saturday, 13,072; Sunday, 11,000; Monday, 8,502; Tuesday, 5,379.

Five extra sleeping cars have been added by the Canadian Pacific railway to transcontinental trains leaving Winnipeg for the east and west Thursday.

Transfer of old persons from Deer Lodge to Shilo has been postponed. Dr. Athol Gordon reported Wednesday.

The Canadian Pacific railway has announced its special morning train to Lake Winnipeg resorts will not operate Saturday and Sunday of this week but will run Thursday and Friday as scheduled, at 11 a.m. daylight time.

There will be week-end service on the beach line as far as Gimli, Saturday through the regular summer special which leaves here at 1:45 p.m. daylight time. Sunday service will be given right through to Riverton on a train leaving at 9:30 a.m. daylight time.

**Students' Rooms**  
United college announced Thursday its students who have been evacuated from their homes will



LLOYD VEZEY

## Final Blast To Life Work

"I'm wiped out completely." And he was.

Lloyd Vezey's house, its contents and all his dreams were in danger of being blown sky-high Thursday morning.

In flooded Fort Garry the \$4,000 home that Vezey had built himself was a hazard to Elm Park and Norwood bridge.

Torn loose from its foundations by the still unpredictable waters of the Red, it was due to float downstream any moment.

Army engineers were set to blow it up.

All they wanted was Vezey's permission, and he gave it willingly. "I don't want it to be a hazard," he said.

At 48 years of age, he was ready to watch the outcome of his life's work go up in smoke.

**Flooded Out**  
Flooded out three weeks ago, he has been unable to salvage even one possession from his home. The address:

## 'Needy Cases' Assured 'Substantial' Help

The Manitoba government Thursday pledged that "substantial" financial assistance will be forthcoming to owners of flooded homes in Greater Winnipeg, on farms and in towns along the Red river valley.

The government also promised that assistance would be extended to municipalities to compensate for damaged roads, streets and bridges "within the financial competence of the government."

### Text Of Statement

Here is the complete text of the statement issued Thursday morning by Premier Campbell in which he promised "substantial financial help" to flood victims:

"The flooding of the Red river valley this year has resulted in losses, public and private, far greater in extent than has ever been experienced in the history of Canada. The full extent of the disaster is not yet known and cannot be known until the danger has passed, but it is evident that the losses already involved are far beyond the financial resources of many citizens, municipalities and the provincial government.

"The provincial government has already taken steps to lay before the federal government the fact that the present flood situation creates a disaster that is a national emergency, which has so been recognized by the federal and provincial governments. A commission has already been set up to ascertain the total damage caused by the flood and the amount the federal government should contribute for the relief of those affected by flood damage.

"As, however, it is recognized that it will be some time before this commission can report, I wish to make the following statement:

"To those whose homes in Greater Winnipeg, in small towns and on farms, have been seriously damaged by the flood: the provincial government gives its pledge that in cases of need, substantial financial help will be forthcoming in rehabilitating such houses.

"Also, damaged public property, such as roads, streets and bridges, must be repaired or replaced and government assistance to the municipalities concerned will be dealt with on a similar basis of need within the financial competence of the government."

### Fraser Flood Aid Formula

The federal government in 1948 paid the bulk of the costs arising out of the Fraser valley flood. Prime Minister Louis St. Laurent has promised to apply the British Columbia formula to Manitoba. Leslie Fox of the British Columbia legislature's press gallery in Victoria, sets out in the following despatch the amounts paid by the federal government under that formula.

VICTORIA, B.C., May 18 (Special) — Total cost of the Fraser valley flood, including dike rebuilding to prevent a recurrence of the disaster, was \$17,403,664. Of that total the federal government paid \$14,122,532 and the province's share was only \$3,371,132. That is, the Federal Government paid 81 per cent and British Columbia 19 per cent.

The municipalities paid nothing for flood fighting and relief except to supply any machinery or equipment that was useful at the time. The municipalities, however, paid in part for reconstruction of highways.

For fighting flood Ottawa agreed to pay 75 per cent.

Ottawa paid ..... \$ 1,090,032.  
Province paid ..... \$ 353,344.  
Total cost ..... \$ 1,443,376.

For relief and rehabilitation  
Ottawa provided outright gift of ..... \$ 5,000,000.  
Rehabilitation costs were ..... \$ 4,125,038.  
Balance remaining in hands of province ..... \$ 74,962.  
Relief costs were ..... \$ 71,523.  
Province paid full amount out of \$874,962 remaining from federal grant.

Thus federal \$5,000,000 gift spent as follows:  
Emergency flood fighting ..... \$ 353,344.  
Emergency relief ..... \$ 471,523.  
Rehabilitation costs ..... \$ 4,125,038.  
Total ..... \$ 4,949,905.

Still remaining in hands of province from \$5,000,000 grant ..... \$ 50,095.  
Restoration of flood-damaged roads and bridges cost province ..... \$ 733,727.  
Offset against this was the \$50,095 left over from grant.

Actual cost to province for rebuilding roads and bridges ..... \$ 683,632.  
Rebuilding Fraser valley dikes — Total cost ..... \$ 10,750,000.  
Ottawa share — 75 per cent ..... \$ 8,062,500.  
Province's share — 25 per cent ..... \$ 2,687,500.

Final cost to federal government ..... \$14,122,532.  
Final cost to provincial government ..... \$ 3,371,132.

## Canada's Generosity Pin Points On 'Peg

Manitoba's flood-stricken residents came in from cities in the United States and Britain.

Alexander Message  
Viscount Alexander of Tunis, Canada's governor-general, sent a telegram to flood relief headquarters through his secretary, Maj. Gen. H. F. C. Letson.

The message stated that it would

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### 30-Mile Wind Not Expected To Harm Dikes

Providing a 30 mile an hour wind Thursday is not accompanied by forecast thunder showers, Joe Bibeau, superintendent of St. Boniface public works, is not too worried about his seven-mile-long dikes.

Mr. Bibeau told the Free Press that he thought the dikes were high enough to prevent the water from blowing over into the streets. But, he added, "There is always a danger."

The superintendent said he was more concerned if the wind was accompanied by a driving rain. He said the sewers were working well and the pumps were only working at half their capacity.



It's grim but we'll come back!

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**Brenda York suggests**  
**MAPLE LEAF**  
**COOKED MEATS**  
*For Busy Housewives*

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## "KITCHEN STAR" BULLETIN

Famous Bryce-baked Kitchen Star Bread and Cakes are no longer available. When flood conditions permit, these famous products will again be available from your grocer.

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## Volunteer Manpower Pool Opens

Registration of volunteer manpower in north Winnipeg began Thursday following a north Winnipeg committee decision at a meeting held in the legislative building Wednesday afternoon.

Approximately 30 representatives of north Winnipeg civic, religious and community organizations attended.

The proposed scheme is to recruit approximately 2,100 men and youths to form four-hour shift-gangs to stand by for emergencies on a 24 hour basis, Peter Taraska, committee chairman, said.

Approximately 300 beds would be set up, Mr. Taraska said, and workers on the late shifts, rather than come to work at midnight, or 4 a.m., could sleep in the depots all night unless they were called out on an emergency.

Registration Depots  
 Registration depots had been set up at the following schools: Ralph Brown, Luxton, King Edward, Champlain, Florence Nightingale, at the Stella Mission and hall at 197 Euclid avenue, Mr. Taraska said.

Committee members who attended the meeting were—M. A. Cray, M.L.A., Winnipeg; Alderman J. Blumberg, Ald. F. L. Chester, Ald. S. Rebehuk, Ald. M. J. Fort, Ald. E. A. Brozman, Rev. W. E. McDonald, Rev. Msgr. I. E. Zielonka, Rev. Father N. Feist, Rev. L. W. Koehler, W. S. Ross, M. C. Sago, R. Soronow, M. Baryluk, R. J. Kimmel, G. F. Beitz, V. J. Smith, J. Krepiakovich, T. M. Cirka, T. A. Creschuk, H. Bahniuk, V. J. Swystun, J. Homa, B. R. Bodurkiw, W. Kalya, Dr. J. Synowiecki.



The Riverview dikes could not hold back the relentless waters. In this general air view, the homes and municipal hospitals stand neglected — abandoned. On the left, the Lyn-dale drive dike is a rampart keeping Norwood dry. In the back-

ground in flood-swamped St. Vital. The Brandon avenue airport is in the right foreground. A thin fringe of tree and bush marks the forsaken banks of the river.

## Foundry Employees Give Up Most Of Relief Fund To Help Others

Employees of the Anthes-Imperial company took up a collection Monday for the 14 men among them who had been forced out of their homes by the flood. Within one eight-hour shift, they gathered more than \$2,000, almost \$10 per employee.

That \$2,000 was earmarked to help their 14 fellow-workers, to replace furniture, kitchen stoves, redecorate water-seared walls and floors.

Wednesday, the employees met again. This time, they were told of the Manitoba Flood Relief fund. They were told of the thousands, not just

14, of their fellow citizens who had to leave everything they owned when the Red river flooded.

"We realized it just wasn't good enough to care for our own workers and ignore everybody else," one of the foundry workers explained.

So out of the \$2,000, less than one-quarter was retained in care for the immediate needs of the 14 evacuated families. The remainder was turned over to the Manitoba Flood Relief fund.

Bill Casovan, one of the foundry employees, lived on Rover street.

Early one morning he and his wife had to leave their home. They had to worry about the safety of their two sets of twins, both under two years of age, and two older boys. They didn't have much time to worry about household possessions.

All they managed to get out was a crib, a carriage and a few things for the babies.

Evacuated Twice

Since then, the Casovan family has been evacuated twice. Now Mrs. Casovan and the babies are at Winnipeg Beach. The eldest boy is a full-time dike worker. Each time they were forced to move they lost another item or two among their scanty possessions.

And the house they left behind? "It's in bad enough condition that I don't ever want to live there again," is Mr. Casovan's verdict.

Then there is Reg Ward who pours steel at the foundry. Six weeks before the flood torrent broke, he and his wife and three youngsters moved to lot 12 in Fort Garry. The house stands one mile west of Pembina highway, but not even that distance was insurance against the spreading river.

Mr. Ward drove his family into the city. Three days later, he went back to raise the piano above possible water level. But when he got into the house, he couldn't get out again. He was marooned. The army rescued him. All Mr. Ward got out of that time was a pack of children's clothing.

Experiences Driven Home

These experiences like that, have not been wasted on the foundry workers. They worked together when there was still a chance of saving some of their homes. A three-man crew on a 24-hour schedule moved from house to house pumping out basements. Office girls worked over-time so that the men might work on the city's dikes.

Now they are putting the same enthusiasm into the rehabilitation fight. They are wholeheartedly behind the Manitoba Flood Relief fund. Walter Kozak, president of their local of the United Steelworkers of America (C.I.O.) is behind it. So is the management.

The \$2,000 will not be the limit of the Anthes employees' contribution.



They talk over the future—the man whose home is on the flood casualty list and the man who was lucky enough to live on higher ground. Reg Ward (left) drove his family to safety from Fort Garry over roads covered with radiator-high flood waters. He and Walter Kozak (left), president of a local union of the United Steelworkers of America (C.I.O.) both work for a Winnipeg foundry. The union has thrown all its weight behind the Manitoba Flood Relief fund as has every other union in the province. They're out to give flood victims every cent of help they can.

## Cadet Corps Signallers Aid In Fight To Save Home Town

Defence of its own home town is the role being played today by the Provancher army cadet corps. At strategic points along the massive St. Boniface and Norwood dikes, boys of the corps are working — sometimes as long as 20 hours a day — to maintain wireless communications. Radio operators include Paul Savaria, Henry Decaryere, Louis Toupin, Homer Lovering, Stanley Kreitz, Ernest Mager, Stanley Hand, Denis Olivier, Raymond Hunt, Louis Cusson, Gilbert Levesque, Ed Scott, Bill Reid and Ed Martel. With six "walkie-talkie" sets, the cadets report seepage and dike breaks to flood control headquarters. They pass instructions and information on to soldiers and volunteer workers manning the dikes. Communications are manned day and night, under the supervision of Brother S. M. Meyer, corps signals instructor, and Michael Wrublosky, local "ham" operator.

### 'Tons Of Sandwiches' From United Churches

United churches throughout Canada are sending tons of sandwiches daily to flood victims and dike workers. Rev. W. G. Martin, president of the Manitoba conference of the United Church, said Thursday. "Our churches are distributing countless gallons of hot coffee, as well as chocolate bars, donuts and chewing gum," Dr. Martin said. "Winnipeg's United churches are doing a magnificent job. In addition to looking after the spiritual needs of the people and bringing comfort to the distressed, our ministers are working on the dikes."

### NORTH END FLOOD RELIEF CENTRE LOCATION MOVED

Due to the necessity for larger quarters, the North End Flood Relief centre has moved to 1206 Main street to 1127 Main street. Phone numbers at the headquarters are 56383 and 56087.

### CONSTRUCTION PERMITS AGAIN AVAILABLE

Building, electrical and plumbing permits were available again Thursday at the city's engineering department. Issue of permits was discontinued last week owing to the flood emergency.

### Provancher Bus Not For Sight-Seeers

Emergency bus service over the new Provancher bridge causeway is not intended as a sight-seeing medium but as a convenience and assistance for the residents of St. Boniface, Winnipeg Electric company officials stressed Thursday. Furthermore, they pointed out, the company has no intention of profiting from the activities of persons not directly concerned with flood control measures. The company has been operating emergency services and special buses for every organization concerned with flood disaster and has donated its services to the armed forces, the Y.M.C.A., Red Cross, St. John's Ambulance, old folks' homes, and many other organizations who have made calls for help, they added.

## Fort Garry, St. Vital Seen 'Taking Brunt'

Fort Garry and St. Vital are "bearing the brunt" of flood waters at the present time—and this situation "should be recognized by the people of Winnipeg," Mayor L. R. Fennell of Fort Garry declared Wednesday.

In a statement to the Free Press, Mayor Fennell said that as far as Fort Garry was concerned the James avenue flood level figures meant "nothing." The water level was still rising in Fort Garry and overnight Tuesday had gone up two to three inches.

Mayor Fennell said it was the conviction of himself, councillors and people of Fort Garry that bridges — particularly Norwood bridge — were acting as dams. These were keeping the flood level "static" at the James avenue pumping station, at the expense of the outer municipalities.

"We do not suggest that Norwood bridge should be destroyed," Mayor Fennell declared. "But we do think our sacrifice should be recognized, both now and when rehabilitation terms are discussed."

## Traffic Arteries

LATEST REPORTS

### Bridges

ELM PARK—Closed, condemned, weighted and barricaded.

LOUISE—Open to emergency vehicles.

MAIN STREET—Closed, barricaded at north end.

MARION (SEINE)—Open to all traffic, but subject to check to eliminate those not having good reason to cross.

MARYLAND—Open to all traffic, but subject to periodic checks to eliminate sightseers and unnecessary vehicular movement. South approach clear of water. Pumping in progress. Pavement deteriorating.

NORWOOD—Closed to all but amphibious vehicles.

OSBORNE CREEK (ELLICE)—Open to all traffic.

OSBORNE STREET—Open to all traffic. Water on southern approach. Pumping in progress. Vehicles subject to periodic inspection to check for non-essential traffic.

PROVENCHE—Gravel ramp wet and heavy. Water 18 inches deep on east side of subway. Maintenance work proceeded during night. Two-way traffic, but subject to periodic police inspection.

PROVENCHE (SEINE)—Closed to all traffic. Diked on Provancher.

REDWOOD—Open to essential traffic.

ST. JAMES (MADISON)—Open to all traffic.

TRURO (On Portage avenue between Sackville and Truro streets)—Gravel ramp on north side in good condition and two-way traffic allowed.

Subways, Viaducts

ANNABELLA—Closed and barricaded, diked at north end.

ARLINGTON—Open to all traffic, but in rough condition. Pumping in progress. Shallow water in subway.

ASSINIBOINE DRIVE—Closed, impassable. Barricades at Lomack street and junction with St. James (Madison) bridge.

ELGIN—Impassable to all but high-chassis vehicles.

HIGGINS—Open to emergency vehicles.

MCPHILLIPS—Closed and barricaded.

MAIN STREET—Open to all traffic. Almost clear of water. Pumping in progress.

OSBORNE—Closed and barricaded.

PEMBINA—Closed and barricaded.

ROSS—Impassable to all but high-chassis vehicles.

ST. JAMES—Open to emergency vehicles only. Eight inches of water, with holes in pavement under the water. Traffic restricted to south side.

SHERBROOK—Closed and barricaded.

TECUMSEH—Water rising. High-chassis vehicles only.

Streets and Avenues

ANNABELLA—Flooded and impassable from Higgins to Rover. The stretch from Sutherland avenue to the Rover street hydro power station has a gravel ramp. Area near Higgins avenue is diked.

ARCHIBALD—Open to all traffic, though rough. Diked on both sides of road at Mission street, but maintenance crews are at work.

ASSINIBOINE—Flooded and barricaded from Fort street to Kennedy street. All streets south of Broadway from Kennedy to Fort are flooded in the southerly half of the blocks, except Edmonton. Four feet of water is behind the diked area at Smith and Garry streets.

BALMORAL PLACE—Barricaded at Spence street. Water on street between Broadway and the Whitehall.

BEIL—Flooded from Main street to Wood. Impassable.

BROADWAY—Flooded and barricaded from Osborne street to Colony. Diked at Osborne. Flooded on north side from Garry street to Smith, but passable.

CARLTON—Flooded, though passable between Cumberland and Qu'Appelle.

CASS—Flooded and impassable.

COCKBURN—Flooded, though passable, from Corydon to McMillan and from Kylemore to Rathgair.

COLONY—Flooded from Amphitheatre to the river.

DAILY—Flooded from Jubilee to Kylemore, but intersections clear. Passage questionable.

EASTGATE—Flooded.

EVERGREEN PLACE—Flooded and barricaded.

HARKNESS—Flooded and barricaded from Mayfair to Stradbrook.

JUBILEE—Barricades removed. Intersections of Daly, Riverside drive and Riverside drive have been diked, as are some areas from Daly to Pembina. All sewer inlets sandbagged. Water rising, though still passable.

KINGSWAY—Flooded and barricaded from Wellington crescent to Ruskin row.

LILAC—Water from Jubilee to Walker. Intersections clear.

MAYFAIR—Flooded and closed from Harkness to Main.

MIDDLEGATE—Flooded.

MILL—Flooded.

NOTRE DAME EAST—Flooded from Victoria to the river.

OSBORNE—Water on east side of street from Broadway to bridge. Passable.

PARKER—Barricaded. Broken main east of Waverley.

QU'APPELLE—Flooded from Edmonton to Kennedy. Water receding.

RIVER—Flooded and barricaded, Main to Clark.

ROSEDALE—Flooded, but passable, from Daly to Berwick. Impassable from Lilac to Berwick.

SPENCE—Water midway between Balmoral place and Broadway. Passable.

ST. JAMES—Barricaded Wednesday while night work progressed. Re-opened for traffic Thursday.

VICTORIA—Flooded and barricaded between Notre Dame and Lombard.

WALKER—Flooded, but passable, from Cockburn to Lilac.

WESTGATE—Flooded.

WHITEHALL—Flooded and barricaded from Balmoral place to Osborne.

WOLSELEY—Flooded between Canora and Arlington. Pumped dry from Newman to Raglan road. Sewers sandbagged. Passable.

WELLINGTON CRESCENT—Flooded and barricaded from Harrow to Park road, exclusive of Academy road intersection, which is diked. Diked and flooded from Niagara to Ash, but cars can detour on first lane (paved) south of Wellington crescent. Flooded on north side from Ash to Oak, and all traffic is using south side.



Two submerged vehicles — one an army ambulance with hood up — stranded on Eccles street. The view is looking south.



Half way down Morley avenue — looking toward the municipal hospitals — the Morley grocery store stands silent and closed.



On Eccles street at Morley avenue, an abandoned tow truck raises its superstructure amid desolation.



On Morley avenue you can travel over fences without raising the motor on your boat. A busy water traffic has replaced the bus service.



The deserted King George and Princess Elizabeth hospitals await recession of flood in the silence of isolation.



# Threat Of Rain No. 1 Peril

Winnipeg — Cloudy with a few clear periods. Scattered showers Saturday afternoon. Winds light, Low tonight and high Saturday 40 and 60.

## Rail Cut To Ease Danger

Threat of continued rain throughout the Red river valley was the No. 1 worry of flood control officials Friday as the river remained at its highest peak — 30.3 feet above datum.

Local weather office, however, is not too concerned over the outlook for the next few days. "There is a possibility of showers," one forecaster said, "but we do not expect they will be as heavy as those Thursday night."

Thursday night, wind and rain combined in a fresh assault against Greater Winnipeg's flood defences but early Friday afternoon all main dikes were reported still holding. Army flood control said Friday "a critical situation" along the Fort Garry dike line was an immediate threat to 200 homes on the outskirts of Fort Garry west of the Red river. These homes would be flooded if the McGillivray dike broke.

If railway embankments north of this dike also were breached, they said approximately 1,500 homes in River Heights and Crescentwood might be flooded. Army engineers said there could be "no guarantee" that the railway embankments would hold if the dike went.

At 6.30 a.m., Canadian National railways workmen completed a 300-foot breach in their Emerson line to let water from flood-created "McGillivray lake" flow east into the Red. This was done to lessen the amount of water threatening to overflow into the south part of Fort Rouge.

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FORECAST: SHOWERS, WINDS LIGHT

# 10,500 CITY, SUBURB HOMES HIT

## London Eager To Help

A great kind hand stretched out across the sea, Friday, and offered its aid.

"Is there anything we can do to help?" "We will do everything we are able to do!"

Straight from the big, warm heart of London came the message — a warm, ringing message of cheer — of anxiety, of compassion, of desire to do all it could to help out those afflicted.

It was a voice of loyalty, of promise, of hope and encouragement to a stricken people from a great city which also has suffered great trouble.

It came across thousands of miles of land and sea in a trans-Atlantic telephone call directly to the Winnipeg Free Press from the London News Chronicle.

"Please tell us what we can do for you," said Ronald Camp, the Chronicle's chief staff reporter, specially assigned to make the offer of aid on behalf of his paper.

Informed that direct aid in the form of money was most urgently needed he promised that everything possible would be done that way so far as currency restrictions permitted and suggested that perhaps the people of London could help greatly by furnishing gifts in kind.

"We will be very grateful for anything the people of London can do for us," he was told. In this connection he was advised that it would be best if he got in touch with Premier Douglas L. Campbell direct. This he did in a later trans-Atlantic call and the premier thanked him for the offer and gave him the address of the relief fund.

The premier noted the difficulties the people of Great Britain had endured in the past, and said Manitoba would be grateful for any assistance.

The Chronicle reporter asked the Free Press about the flood devastation. He was appalled to hear the extent of the catastrophe.

He was told:

● That the Red river had risen from 30 feet 3 inches

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## Premier Promises Aid For Immediate Costs

The Manitoba government will see to it that the municipalities in the inundated area "do not lack money to carry on the work that they believe is necessary" in meeting immediate flood costs, Premier D. L. Campbell promised Thursday night when he spoke over a province-wide radio network.

He was elaborating on the statement he issued Thursday in which he pledged his government to provide substantial financial help to those whose homes had been damaged, on a basis of need.

Here is the text of his statement: "By now you have all read in the newspapers the statement which I made at noon following a meeting of the cabinet and in which the government of Manitoba gave its pledge to give substantial financial assistance in cases of need in the rehabilitation of houses, both rural and urban. At the same time the government pledged that within its financial means and based on the principle of need, it would aid financially in the restoration of public property which has been damaged by the flood. The government will stand by its pledge. "While there has been criticism in some quarters that the government has moved too long in making this statement, it was our view that we should not make rash promises in the heat of the fight which we could not fulfill. I felt that it would be unfair to those directly

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## Interim Grant From Ottawa Seen Probable

OTTAWA, May 19 (Special) — Probability of an interim federal grant to cope with the Red river flood disaster was seen here Friday as the newly appointed fact-finding commission prepared to assess the damage.

"The chances of this step being taken are increased by the knowledge that it may be many weeks before the commission can reach anything like an accurate estimate of the loss."

Moreover, as they begin their task, there is still a very real danger of still further havoc occurring.

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## Canada, U.S. To Aid Europe After 1952

LONDON, May 19 — Canada and other Western powers are making sweeping moves on the economic and military fronts to assure ascendancy over Soviet Russia. Here are the latest developments:

1. Canada and the United States Thursday gave notice they intend to share in Europe's economic problems in 1952 when the European Recovery plan ends. The two countries announced that they would join on an informal basis the Organization for European Economic Co-operation.
2. Hon. L. B. Pearson, Canada's external affairs minister, and the foreign ministers of Britain, the United States and France have agreed on "a working relationship" in economic matters. This ultimately may require formal machinery, but none will be set up immediately.
3. Dean Acheson, U.S. state secretary, promised that the United States would not pull out of Europe when Marshall aid ends. He pledged continuing economic and military aid in western Europe and "continuing interest" in the security of Greece, Turkey and Iran.
4. Britain, the United States and France announced they would shortly appoint civilian high commissioners to replace their military commanders in Austria.
5. Mr. Pearson said the Atlantic pact foreign ministers' concept of "balanced collective forces" meant the West has agreed to do what it had hoped to do under the United Nations charter — create an international force capable of ensuring peace.

These and other announcements followed the wind-up Thursday of

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## I've Lost Everything!



This is a man with 80 years in his past — but no future. Andrew Dinning, an old-age pensioner, was flooded out in a Red river valley town. He came to Winnipeg. But the river caught up to him and flooded him out again. He had little — but what he had he lost: his razor, his tobacco pouch, his identification documents. He lost all his pictures — snapshots of the ones he loved. Mr. Dinning was then taken to Red Cross headquarters in the civic auditorium. He sat there, looking bleakly in front of him. He hardly blinked when the photographer's flashbulb went off. He sat, in failing health, and was given a list of clothing he could get from the Red Cross. He is still there, being cared for by the Red Cross. He is typical of thousands who need your help. Address your donation to the Manitoba Flood Relief Fund, Fifth Floor, Union Trust Building, Lombard and Main, Winnipeg.

—Photograph by John MacLean

## Ottawa Hails Deal With U.S. To Swap Arms

OTTAWA, May 19 (CP) — Canada's defence headquarters Thursday exulted over what one high official called "the biggest defence news in several years."

It was the announcement in Washington by Defence Secretary Louis Johnson that the United States forces have been directed to develop a programme under which the U.S. and Canada would purchase between \$15,000,000 and \$25,000,000 worth of military equipment annually from each other.

This sort of reciprocal purchase is what Canada has been pressing for since before the late James Forrester Mr. Johnson's predecessor, visited Ottawa in August, 1948.

The announcement represents only a partial victory for Canada but is hailed here as a victory in principle that could lead to the larger hope — a full-scale peacetime equivalent of the war-time Hyde park agreement for full integration of military production.

Mr. Johnson in this case has taken advantage of a loophole in the buy-American legislation which virtually forbids the U.S. forces to buy non-American equipment. The loophole is a clause which permits the forces to buy certain foreign equipment if it is certified that it is in the American interest to do so.

## People Of Manitoba Give \$209,814 To Flood Relief

Manitoba is out in front. In the fight to put the province back on its feet, citizens of the province already have contributed \$209,814 to the Manitoba Flood Relief fund, an incomplete return showed Friday.

The grand total of the fund, which includes contributions from the whole dominion, is now on its way to the \$500,000 mark. Here are some of the highlights of the Manitoba campaign to date:

- By Thursday, the employees of three Winnipeg firms had made donations 100 per cent. to the rehabilitation fund — J. H. Ashdown Hardware company, the Midwest Storage company and the Manitoba Cartage company.
- From the Great-West Life Assurance company in Winnipeg came a cheque for \$25,000.
- The Kinsmen Welfare board in Winnipeg has given \$5,000.
- The largest donation to the provincial fund so far has come from the Winnipeg Grain exchange. A total of \$173,979 already has been given by members of the exchange and more is expected.
- Local members of the Army, Navy and Air Force

Veterans in Canada have contributed \$1,000.

- Employees of the Winnipeg Electric company are being asked to donate one hour's pay every pay day for the next 12 months. Officers of the Federated Council O.B.U. and the management

expect the contribution to work out to approximately \$24 from each of the company's 2,500 employees.

**\$1,000 FROM ABERDEEN**

- From Aberdeen, Scotland, came a donation of

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## \$425,427 Donations Now In Relief Fund

Swelling the Manitoba Flood Relief fund to an unofficial total of almost three-quarters of a million dollars Friday morning, 000 to \$307,034, it was revealed Canadians from coast to coast and in Toronto Friday.

One half, or \$153,517, has been contributed by employees of the company. This total has been matched by the firm. Employee totals, including previous figures, are composed of: Toronto, \$60,000; Winnipeg, \$45,000; British Columbia, \$23,760; eastern units, \$14,275 and western stores, \$10,482.

The citizens of Edmonton have already contributed more than \$80,000 for Manitoba flood relief. Mayor Sid Parsons stated Thursday in a telephone conversation with

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## Toll May Grow In Later Survey

Rampaging river waters have hit about 10,500 homes in Greater Winnipeg.

Mayor Garnet Coulter revealed Friday that official flood records alone showed 6,000 homes inundated in the Greater Winnipeg area.

In addition, he pointed out, large areas in both city and suburbs have been affected by basement flooding.

Mayor Coulter added that it was impossible as yet to make an accurate estimate.

## CNR Figures Crop Loss \$20,000,000

The estimate of 10,500 flooded homes was compiled by William Courage, emergency housing director for the city, with the aid of reeves and mayors of suburban municipalities, he disclosed.

In Winnipeg proper, about 2,800 homes have been stricken by flood waters, according to the estimate. A breakdown of the flood figures for the suburban municipalities and St. Boniface city showed:

- St. Boniface, 1,500 flooded homes, most of them badly inundated.
- St. Vital, 4,000, of which 40 per cent. were in serious condition.
- Fort Garry, 700, involving first-floor flooding in about 600 cases.
- West Kildonan, 600, the majority suffering first-floor damage.
- East Kildonan, 500, many of them with minor flooding of basements.
- St. James, 200, the majority of them basement flooding cases.
- North Kildonan, 20, severely flooded.
- West St. Paul, 35, badly inundated.
- Old Kildonan, 20, also in serious condition.

## Cripps Opens U.K.-Canadian Wheat Parley

LONDON, May 19 (CP) — Anglo-Canadian wheat talks opened Friday under the presiding hand of Sir Stafford Cripps, chancellor of the exchequer.

The Canadian delegation was probably the most powerful ever to represent the dominion in bargaining talks outside Canada. The top officials present were Rt. Hon. C. D. Howe, trade minister; Hon. L. B. Pearson, external affairs minister, and Norman Robertson, clerk of the privy council and secretary to the Canadian cabinet.

Max Mackenzie, deputy trade minister, and George Melvor, chairman of the Canadian wheat board, also were present.

The British delegation included Sir Stafford, Rt. Hon. Maurice Webb, food minister; Patrick Gordon-Walker, secretary for commonwealth relations, and key officials of the food ministry and the treasury.

The talks will continue Monday and may last as long as a week. The negotiations Friday marked the opening of efforts to find out how much wheat and flour Britain wants from Canada in 1950-51 and how much she is prepared to pay.

## Temperatures

Temperature readings during the 24-hour period ending at 6.30 a.m. Friday were:

	Min.	Max.	Prec.
Vancouver	42	55	11
Calgary	38	53	12
Edmonton	30	55	27
Swift Current	35	50	29
Saskatoon	35	60	63
Regina	35	58	13
Brandon	42	58	30
WINNIPEG	44	64	37
Port Churchill	32	58	11
Port Arthur	37	59	37
Toronto	45	61	41
Ottawa	45	53	16
Montreal	48	55	15
Halifax	37	57	15

## Small Talk



Whatta Puddle!



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**"KITCHEN STAR" BULLETIN**  
Present disastrous flood conditions now make it impossible to continue supplying Kitchen Star Bread and Cakes. These delicious Bryce-baked products will again be available when flood conditions permit.

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## Firemen Will Pump 'Seepage' Not 'River' From Basements

Fire Chief Dave Clawson Friday advised victims of basement flooding not to ask for pumping service if the elevation of their homes was still below the actual river level. "We can't pump out basements in these cases," he pointed out. "If it was a case of seepage, the fire department would willingly help citizens to pump out basement water. But if that's river water, you've got to wait until the river level goes down," the fire chief said. He added that the fire department has been bombarded with calls for pumping service.

## VENERAL DISEASE UP IN PROVINCE FOR WEEK

Veneral disease figures in Manitoba started an upward climb again during the week ending May 13, with 21 new cases being reported as against only 14 during the previous seven-day period, a release from the department of health and public welfare shows. Of the new cases, 18 were gonorrhea and three syphilis. A breakdown of statistics shows three instances of gonorrhea, one of syphilis in Winnipeg proper, two cases of gonorrhea and one of syphilis in suburban Winnipeg and 13 instances of gonorrhea at rural points. There were no cases of syphilis reported outside Winnipeg.

## 2 Family Teams Join In Gas-Service Fight

Two father-and-son combinations were called upon Tuesday night to maintain the gas supply to Fort Rouge and River Heights. They were Diver H. Little and his father, Diver H. Little, who were assisted by J. O. Walker, a diving communications expert, and his son, J. O. Walker, at the controls of the oxygen supply. At the same time, two other men engaged in working on the main gas line at the Assiniboine river, where a crossing is made near Maryland bridge. Purpose of the standpipe, which is normally above water level, is to allow the pumping out of gas condensation in the drip sump, company spokesmen stated. The two father-and-son teams added enough new pipe to the standpipe to bring it above the present flood level, thus ensuring continued service to River Heights and Fort Rouge districts.

## OPR AIDS HOUSING BY EARLY HOTEL START

Winnipeg's housing shortage, made acute by the mass evacuation of towns to the south and some city suburbs, has been eased somewhat by the Canadian Pacific railway's hotel department who advanced the movement of some summer staff to Banff and Lake Louise. When the flood first struck districts from which summer help had been recruited, the hotel department offered immediate employment three weeks in advance of the usual pre-opening period, officials stated. Through the government employment service and radio stations, the summer staff, many of whom were homeless, were all located and placed with the exception of two, who were engaged in Red Cross canteen work.

## Joint Appeal Is Made To Ukrainians

Ukrainian Canadians, regardless of their organizational affiliations or creeds, have been asked to actively participate in the all-out Canadian campaign for flood relief in Manitoba in a joint appeal issued recently by the national executive committee of the Association of United Ukrainian Canadians and the central staff of the Ukrainian Relief Committee. The statement, in part: "Citizens of the flooded areas, including Ukrainian Canadians, of whom there are great numbers in Manitoba, are displaying a high morale in the face of great dangers and are carrying on a heroic battle against the flood waters. We appeal to all our branches and readers to contact the Red Cross in your locality immediately to see how best you can help. Make contributions to flood victims through the local Red Cross. If you live in a locality to which evacuees have been brought, let the Red Cross know what accommodation and other facilities you have."

## PHOTOGRAPHERS PLAN TO ATTEND CONVENTION

Winnipeg press and amateur photographers will attend a Little International Photographers' convention, which opens May 22 to 24 at which modern portraiture and school photography will be discussed. Principal speakers will be Lawrence Blaker of Manhattan, Kans., and Allen Arnold of Birmingham, Mich. O. K. Scherling is secretary of the photographers' association which is sponsoring the event.

## Usual May 24 Postal Routine Switched

Flood conditions in Winnipeg have necessitated a change in normal May 24 postal routine, a statement from C. W. Heister, postmaster, indicates. Although Victoria Day is a statutory holiday, there will be a morning letter carrier delivery to all unflooded residential areas of the city, while all postal stations will be open from 9 a.m. until 6 p.m. for the convenience of evacuees and those in districts where letter carrier delivery is impossible. With the exception of the morning order, which will be delivered at 10 a.m. and noon, all mail in the central post office, as well as room 107, will remain open from 9 a.m. until 6 p.m. In addition, room 105 will be open all day for the delivery of mail to evacuees from Morris and district.

## WESTON SHOPS WORKERS FIND HOME FIGHT EASING

Officials of the Canadian Pacific railway's Weston shops said Friday that on the worst day last week, 35 per cent. of the shops force was off duty fighting the flood in their own homes or working on dikes. By Thursday of this week, only five per cent. of the personnel was so engaged in the day, but most employees were on night call for dike work.

## City Finance Committee Settles Problem

One city flood problem was settled speedily Thursday afternoon. That was the problem of what to pay civic employees who were called for active service in reserve units during the flood crisis. The city's finance committee settled the problem in a matter of minutes Thursday afternoon. "If their service pay is lower than their regular civilian pay, the city should pay the difference," the committee decided. "If their service pay is higher, then they can keep their regular civilian pay. After all, the city could use it," the same member insisted with a smile.

## EXCHANGE OBSTACLES HAMPER BRITISH HELP

"A lot of people in England would like to contribute to the Manitoba Flood Relief fund if exchange permitted," said G. W. Padwick of Harrow, England, now staying at the Fort Garry hotel. Mr. Padwick, who had travelled through the northwest United States before coming to Winnipeg said that "everybody from Portland, Ore., to here have thrown up their hands in horror when I told them I was going to Winnipeg." He added that the flood situation had a tremendous impression in the U.S.A. He will remain in Western Canada till fall inspecting experiments of a new seed dressing.



Moving across the "border" into the flood-soaked area east of Luxton school in north Winnipeg requires a "passport." "Immigration" headquarters in the school are operated under the Red Cross. Shown here is a family returning from their home by ferry service and turning in their permit to travel in the area. Left to right are: Walter Sharp, Red Cross volunteer; C. Searle, A. Searle, handing in the permit; Mrs. C. Searle and A. G. Stevenson, Red Cross volunteer from Hodgson, Man.

## 'Passports,' Border Patrols Create 'State' Within City

Crossing into the eight flooded blocks in the Luxton school area or north Winnipeg is like crossing the border into another country. "It's the best patrolled flood area in Greater Winnipeg," said M. Lennett, a Red Cross volunteer in charge of the area Thursday night. He and Walter Sharp, Red Cross volunteer in charge during the day, described the set-up. At any one time there are 17 boats available and patrols are operated by five naval personnel, a fireman, a constable and neighborhood volunteers. Nobody can enter the flooded area without a permit from officials at Luxton school, under the direction of Capt. R. J. W. Lyons, of the reserve army and the Luxton Home and School association.

## 'Like Giant Goldfish Bowl'

Salvation Army On Job With Camp, Food, Clothes

"We who have seen the flood and what has been done by Manitoba Salvationists to meet the emergency, raise our caps in admiration," said Commissioner Charles Baugh, territorial commander of the Salvation Army, Toronto, Wednesday, after a tour of the flood area. "What an experience!" he remarked of his tour. Winnipeg, as seen from helicopter, reminded him of "a gigantic goldfish bowl" adorned by miniature churches or chalets. One needed reminding that each of these hundreds of tiny models was recently a home enjoyed by a family now scattered. 24-Hour Service. Salvationists maintained a 24-hour service at the railway stations where these families were dispersed, reported Commissioner Baugh at a press conference. In the Salvation Army citadel, with six feet of water beneath it, meals were served to workers, he said, and cars and trucks replenished with gallons of coffee, doughnuts and sandwiches. Meat was supplied by donation from a butcher "around the corner" who had had to evacuate. "Someone sent 7,000 doughnuts while I was there, and an SOS over the radio brought in 10,000 paper cups an hour," reported the commissioner. Watching Hospital. At Salvation Army Grace hospital, a stiff resistance had been maintained to high pressurized drainage and seeping laundry water, he said. When all patients were evacuated as a precautionary measure, 30 were sent west by plane. The Salvation Army camp at Sandy Hook had taken in 30 families from Winnipeg, and more would follow, it was reported. "In Toronto there are many tons of clothing of all descriptions to be shipped in readiness for the needs of the returning tide of humanity to Winnipeg," announced Commissioner Baugh.

## \$1,400 Blaze Ruins Talbot Avenue Home

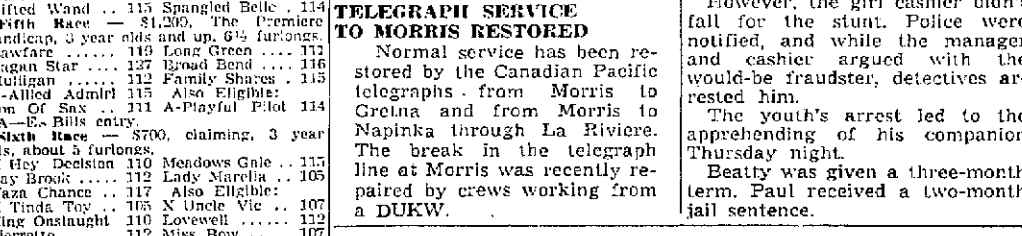
A \$1,400 blaze gutted the frame home of H. Koenig at 731 Talbot avenue, Elmwood, early Friday while the owner was out of town. Fire department officials reported. Called to the scene by a box alarm at 1:50 a.m., firemen brought the blaze under control only after \$1,000 damage had been done to the dwelling and \$400 to the contents.

## TELEGRAPH SERVICE TO MORRIS RESTORED

Normal service has been restored by the Canadian Pacific telegraphs from Morris to Gretna and from Morris to Napinka through La Riviere. The break in the telegraph line at Morris was recently repaired by crews working from a DUKW.

## Hint For Pump-Harrassed: Try Screening The Intake

Having trouble with your pump (and who isn't)—perhaps Prof. G. L. Shanks of the University of Manitoba has the answer. Mr. Shanks, professor of agricultural engineering, points out in a letter to the Free Press that small gear pumps were originally designed for weed sprayer use. Unless the intake on these is screened, he says, these pumps may clog. He suggests tying wire screen or mosquito netting over the wide end of a medium-sized tin funnel. Then the narrow end of the funnel should be pushed into the end of the suction hose (see diagram). This, Prof.



## Boundaries Fall For Flood Aid Aldermen Assure Municipalities

Boundary lines disappeared under more than flood waters Thursday as Winnipeg pledged itself to help fellow municipalities in the stricken Red River valley. The city's finance committee agreed that urban, suburban and rural municipalities in the flood-devastated areas "should join together" in restoration efforts. In the face of the provincial government's "no policy attitude," it was up to the municipalities to act together, Ald. C. E. Simonite said. Full co-operation was promised to Mayor Harry Shevman, M. L.A. of Morris, Man., who appeared to ask for help in organizing a rural rehabilitation plan. "You get organized, and we'll help with all the equipment and material we've got," Ald. Simonite, city finance committee chairman, assured him.

## Organize South

The Morris mayor was advised to organize the flood-stricken municipalities south of Winnipeg emergency association of Greater Winnipeg municipalities. "We haven't much support from the provincial government—no leadership—no encouragement. What are we going to do?" queried Mayor Shevman. "Let's join together. We are going to have to put a mortgage on the city for the next 10 to 20 years, but we'll do it. We have to do it," replied Ald. Simonite. He regretted "harsh words" exchanged with the provincial government. "But all we wanted was for the premier to say 'we are in this with you'," the alderman added. A "new kind words" from Premier Campbell would have helped the situation, as far as the morale of the people was concerned, pointed out Ald. John Blumberg. Ald. Blumberg said the city of Winnipeg simply would have to give aid to other municipalities until such time as a senior government policy was announced. "Municipal boundaries have disappeared for the moment, but forever. East Kildonan, St. Vital, Morris... they are simply names now," he declared. If the city of Winnipeg had adopted the same policy as the provincial government, the flood would have become a "calamity," he said.

## Fears 'Imposition'

Ald. Blumberg warned, however, that the city might find an "imposition taking place" if it went ahead with its "go ahead regardless" policy. "That imposition will be on the part of the senior government if we don't watch out. What is it ultimately going to cost the city? We have promised to go ahead with rehabilitation, but what is to happen to the city's finances? Our streets are leaving in. Our estimates were prepared on an eight-hour day basis. What's to happen to our ordinary construction programme?" Ald. Blumberg asked. Mayor Shevman pointed out that the town of Morris had already spent some \$1,000 on flood fighting. "That's peanuts to you, but it's a lot to our taxpayers. Our total budget is about \$45,000 yearly. Our tax rate is already 75 mills on the dollar." Ald. Frank Chester claimed it wasn't the proper time to start controversy with the provincial government. Canada's prime minister, he pointed out, had said he would apply the same formula to the Red River flood as to the Fraser valley flood of 1948.

## Share Costs

"In my opinion, the costs of fighting floods and the cost of rehabilitation will be shared in full by the two senior governments. As far as I'm concerned, nothing less than that is acceptable," Ald. Chester declared. "You are right, to a certain extent, but we must face the problems right on our doorstep now. We were definitely told the provincial government would not commit itself to a thing. We were given no assurance, whatsoever," replied Ald. Simonite. Ald. V. B. Anderson agreed that it had been a "very unfortunate" attitude on the part of Premier Campbell.

## First Step In Huge Task

The first steps toward the gigantic task of cleaning up Winnipeg have already been taken by the Sir John Franklin community club. Organization of teams of five men and women to assist householders whose homes have been inundated by the flood waters has begun, and these teams are now in action. The proposal was advanced to the flood relief committee Wednesday, and accepted unanimously.

## Own Homes Safe

An official of the club, Norman Bergman, said that the teams were made up of people taken from the community club membership whose homes had not been affected by the floods. "Each team has one member in it who owns a car," Mr. Bergman said, "and calls are accepted at the clubhouse every evening for assistance. We are prepared to go anywhere in the Greater Winnipeg area to render help."

## 500 Names

"We have a list of over 500 names to choose from, including 100 women," Mr. Bergman said, "and this service will be maintained as long as it may be required. We have no doubt that other community clubs will follow suit, for this is truly one of the biggest clean-up jobs any city or country was ever faced with."

## Hungry Cattle Worry You?—\$1.60 Helps

You too can help with "Operation Haylift." All it takes is a little feeling for the cattle hungry to the point of starvation and a contribution of just \$1.60 to the Humane society. Your \$1.60 will buy a bale of hay for distribution throughout flooded Manitoba. Your bale of hay—with hungry cattle will help give fodder-starved barnyard animals an even break. You can send your contribution to Sally Warnock, society secretary, today, tonight, or tomorrow—the sooner the better. Get on the barnyard bandwagon—give a helping hand to Manitoba's "Operation Haylift."

## Traffic Arteries

LATEST REPORTS

## Bridges

ELM PARK — Closed, condemned, weighted and barricaded. LOUISE — Open to emergency vehicles. MAIN STREET — Closed and barricaded at north end. MARION STREET (Seine) — Re-opened for traffic Friday afternoon after construction of new crossing. It was ordered closed Thursday evening. MARYLAND — Open to traffic, but subject to periodic checks to eliminate needless vehicular movement. Work on bridge surface by filling in holes with cement began at midnight Thursday. NORWOOD — Closed to all but amphibious vehicles. OMAN'S CREEK (Ellice) — Open to all traffic. OSBORNE STREET — Open to all traffic, but subject to periodic checks. Repair work to bridge surface began Thursday midnight. PROVENCHEUR — Two-way traffic. Gravel ramp wet and heavy. Maintenance work continued overnight. PROVENCHEUR (Seine) — Closed. Diked at Provencheur. REDWOOD — Open to all traffic, but subject to periodic checks. ST. JAMES (Madison) — Open to all traffic. THRUO — Open. Gravel ramp on north side of Portage avenue in good condition.

## Subways, Viaducts

ANNABELLA — Closed and barricaded. Diked at north end. ARLINGTON — Open to all traffic, but rough. Shallow water. ASSINBOINE DRIVE — Closed, impassable. Barricaded at Lanark and junction with St. James Madison bridge. ELGIN — Feasible to high-chassis vehicles only. HIGGINS — Open to emergency vehicles. McPHILLIPS — Closed and barricaded. MAIN STREET — Open to all traffic. OSBORNE — Closed and barricaded. PERRINA — Closed and barricaded. ROSS — Impassable to all but high-chassis vehicles. ST. JAMES — Open to emergency vehicles. All traffic to use south side subway. Badly holed. SHERBOURNE — Closed and barricaded. TECUMSEH — High chassis vehicles only.

## Streets, Avenues

ANNABELLA — Flooded and impassable its entire length. BROADWAY — Flooded and barricaded from Osborne to Colony. Diked at Osborne. Remainder in very poor condition, but passable. DALY — Flooded from Montague to Churchill drive and from Jubilee to Kylemore. JUBILEE — Flooded from Daly to near Pembina highway. Barricaded east of Cockburn. Sewer inlets in flooded sections sandbagged and diking in progress along south side and parts of north side overnight. Water is rising, but road still passable. PALMERSTON — Closed and diked from Canora to Ekherbert. Sewers sandbagged. Remainder of avenue passable. ST. JAMES STREET — Re-opened from Ellice to Portage after being barricaded Thursday night when gravel work was proceeding. Road from Ellice to Sargent to be closed Friday for repairs. WOLSELEY — Flooded and closed from Chestnut to near Evanson. Sewer inlets are sandbagged. Passable from Newman to Raglan road.

## Bypasses

ARCHIBALD (through Alsip yard) — Soft. Maintenance proceeding. OSBORNE (through Pelissier's) — Good condition, but getting rough. PERRINA (Jubilee) — Good condition. BELGEN CUT-OFF — Good condition.

## Permits Needed For Re-Entering Point Douglas

To avoid confusion and misunderstanding as to the time and who can visit the flooded homes in the Point Douglas area, the following statement was issued Friday by an official in charge of central volunteer bureau Point Douglas headquarters, 105 Euclid avenue: Identification permit cards for the Point Douglas area are issued from this office for motor and row boats from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m., and only to those who go back to their homes for essential clothing or personal belongings. These are accompanied by a volunteer bureau patron to and from the premises. The flooded out streets patrolled from this headquarters are Euclan, Angus, Rover, Gladstone, Regent, Stephens, Syndicate, MarFarlane, Annabella, Gomez, Disraeli, Barber, Grove, Edwards and as far as East Selkirk along the river, according to the official. Four motor and two row boats are operating in this area.

## 'RED DEAN' COMING

Dr. Hewlett Johnson, dean of Canterbury, will arrive in Winnipeg Saturday morning over Canadian Pacific railway lines. He will be accompanied by Dr. James G. Endicott, chairman of the Canadian Peace congress. The dean's Winnipeg address, scheduled for Sunday in the civic auditorium, has had to be cancelled. He will leave by air for Vancouver Saturday afternoon.



# TOTAL DRIVE SET FOR DONATIONS

## V-W Day Canvass Tuesday

V-W Day will hit Manitoba Tuesday.

Volunteer Wages will be the slogan for the all-out canvass of businesses and industries in Greater Winnipeg and throughout the province for the Manitoba Flood Relief fund.

Every wage-earner in every plant, office and factory will be asked to contribute at least one day's pay to the fund.

The support of employers, radio stations and newspapers has been enlisted for the campaign.

Donations to the fund should be addressed to the Manitoba Flood Relief Fund, Winnipeg.

Plans for V-W Day were announced today by the provincial committee of the Manitoba Flood Relief fund. The committee chairman, Allan H. Watson of Winnipeg, has urged 100 per cent support from every wage earner.

Returns from the campaign will be carried over the air waves from Winnipeg's five radio stations. Minute-by-minute contribution totals will be announced as they come in to the operations headquarters in the City Dairy building.

Members of the 120-man provincial committee will bring in the subscription lists as they are completed. The names of the companies and the totals will be announced immediately.

Not only Greater Winnipeg wage-earners will have a chance to boost Manitoba's own contribution to the flood relief fund. Any one within range of the Winnipeg radio stations may phone or wire in his donation. His name will be announced as well.

The flood-stricken province already has given \$335,500 to the fund which will help flood victims restore their homes, their furniture, their household equipment, their clothing.

Here are some of the recent highlights in the provincial campaign:

● Harold Bishop, of the Manitoba Exhibitors' association announced that a special midnight show will be held in the Capitol theatre Tuesday. All proceeds from the sale of the \$1 per seat tickets will go to the fund.

● R. B. Russell announced that members of labor unions in Manitoba were being asked to contribute one hour's pay every day for the next 12 months. That would come to about \$24 per member, he said. In addition, each local union will pay \$1 per member. The plan is already in effect in the Winnipeg Electric company.

● Booths have been opened in several Winnipeg stores to accept contributions. The plan is expected to spread across Canada, under a committee headed by Percy Gensar of Winnipeg.

● In Ottawa, J. S. Sinnott (L. Springfield) told a somewhat surprised parliament that he planned to hold a huge barn dance early in June on his farm at St. Ouens, Man. Reason for the announcement was clarified when he said all proceeds would be used to assist Manitoba flood victims.

## Eaton Co. And Staff Contribute \$307,034

How a \$83,000 contribution grew into a \$307,034 total was revealed Friday when contributions to the national campaign of the Manitoba Flood Relief fund from the T. Eaton company and its employees were tabulated. The company Wednesday donated \$50,000 to the fund. Employees were canvassed and came up with \$33,000.



JOHN DAVID EATON



ROBERT S. MCCORDICK

Mr. Eaton is president of the T. Eaton company, limited, and Mr. McCordick is vice-president and general manager of the Winnipeg store of the Canadian-wide organization. Their "dollar-for-dollar" donation plan to aid Manitoba flood victims resulted in an employer-employee contribution of \$307,034 to the national campaign of the Manitoba Flood Relief fund. One high fund official commented that never before had there been in Canada a "subscription of such magnitude" from any one organization.

"Because of the extraordinarily generous response from the employees, the company felt it should meet contributions dollar for dollar," Robert McCordick, company vice-president and general manager, told the Free Press.

By Friday, employee generosity reached \$153,517, and this amount was promptly matched by the T. Eaton company, raising the overall total to \$307,034.

One fund official said that never before had there been in Canada a "subscription of such magnitude" from any one organization.

Following is a breakdown of employee contributions: Winnipeg, \$45,000; Toronto, \$60,000; western stores, \$10,182; British Columbia, \$23,760; and eastern stores, \$11,275.

The fund's total, rising towards its ultimate \$10,000,000 goal, passed the half-million mark to stand at \$602,300 at noon Saturday.

"Too much cannot be said in praise of the remarkable generosity of the T. Eaton's company and their employees in every province of Canada," said H. W. Manning, chairman of the Manitoba Flood Relief fund, Friday night.

"Coming from a company originating in Eastern Canada, this splendid joint contribution is surely a heart-warming evidence of faith in the future of western Canada and of Manitoba in particular," he added.

\$25,000 Gift  
Two large donations Saturday helped to swell the fund. One was a \$25,000 gift from the London Life Insurance company.

The other sum — \$11,400 — came from additional subscriptions to the Toronto Star fund, which has now reached \$1,163,353. Besides this fund, the Star itself has contributed \$10,000.

The girl scouts of the United States have come to the aid of Manitoba. A cheque for \$2,000 will be presented by one of their number to Canadian girl guides in Toronto Saturday night.

Presentation will be made by Senior Scout Louise Ewart, of Buffalo, N.Y., at a giant rally of some 12,000 girl guides from all parts of Ontario.

The money was voted by the United States girl scout international committee from their world friendship fund.

A Winnipeg musician, whose home is in one of the many flood areas, will be one of 100 artists taking part in a variety concert in Edmonton Sunday to aid Manitoba victims.

Mrs. Irene Thorolfson, who plays first viola in the Winnipeg Symphony orchestra, will play a violin selection in the giant concert. She and her three-year-old daughter have taken refuge in Edmonton "for the duration."

New Song  
Funds will be added to Edmonton's already large contribution. Featured at the show will be a song entitled "Help Winnipeg," written by Mrs. J. Peter of Edmonton.

Another benefit in the Alberta capital, two midnight theatre previews, will be held Tuesday, with all funds destined for victims of the Red river flood and the Rimouski, Que., fire.

Sponsored by the Edmonton Theatre Managers' association, the event will be a benefit for the flood-stricken province.

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## Seven Nations May Loan Asia \$46,500,000

SYDNEY, Australia, May 20 — Representatives of seven commonwealth countries, meeting here to decide on a plan of aid to south and southeast Asia countries, have agreed to lend the Commonwealth-managed countries \$15,000,000 (\$46,500,000) in addition to the \$30,000,000 grant for technical assistance announced Friday in the final communiqué.

Sydney newspapers reported the commonwealth countries agreed to set aside a \$15,000,000 credit fund for use in the next 12 or 18 months — subject only to approval by the commonwealth delegates when they next meet in London in September.

The conference, which ended here Friday night, was attended by representatives of Canada, Australia, Ceylon, India, New Zealand, Pakistan and Britain.

Technical Aid  
Friday night's communiqué at the end of the five-day talks announced the conference recommendation that a technical aid scheme — involving \$5,000,000 over three years — should be started within the next few months.

Working on the basis of sketchy cable reports from Sydney on the proposed aid, senior officials of Canada's external affairs department in Ottawa were understood to be working on the following lines:

1. The \$15,000,000 figure was understood to be merely an objective to be reached by the pooled resources of the seven commonwealth countries attending the conference.

2. The seven countries would have to work out at a later date the exact proportion of the total loan each would assume. The method of making the division was so far as spokesmen for the department here were aware, completely unsettled.

3. Whatever decision was eventually made for Canada's participation in the loan would have to be submitted to parliament in the form of legislation, if a direct financial contribution was involved, or as a matter of straight government responsibility if it were to be limited to technical assistance.

## Toll Nears 30 In U.S. Blast; Fear Sabotage

SOUTH AMBOY, N.J., May 20 — Seeking the cause of an atom-bomb explosion of 600 tons of munitions bound for Pakistan, authorities Saturday investigated the possibility of sabotage.

Fire Commissioner William O'Leary placed the death toll at 24 to 29. The injured, he said, totaled 352. Property damage, Commissioner O'Leary added, may exceed \$20,000,000.

Four barges just loaded with anti-tank and anti-personnel mines went sky-high in a vast mushrooming cloud that was felt in New York city, 22 miles away. An estimated two-thirds of the buildings in this town of 10,000 persons suffered some kind of damage.

A state of emergency was declared in this city of 10,000. Troops were sent to the area.

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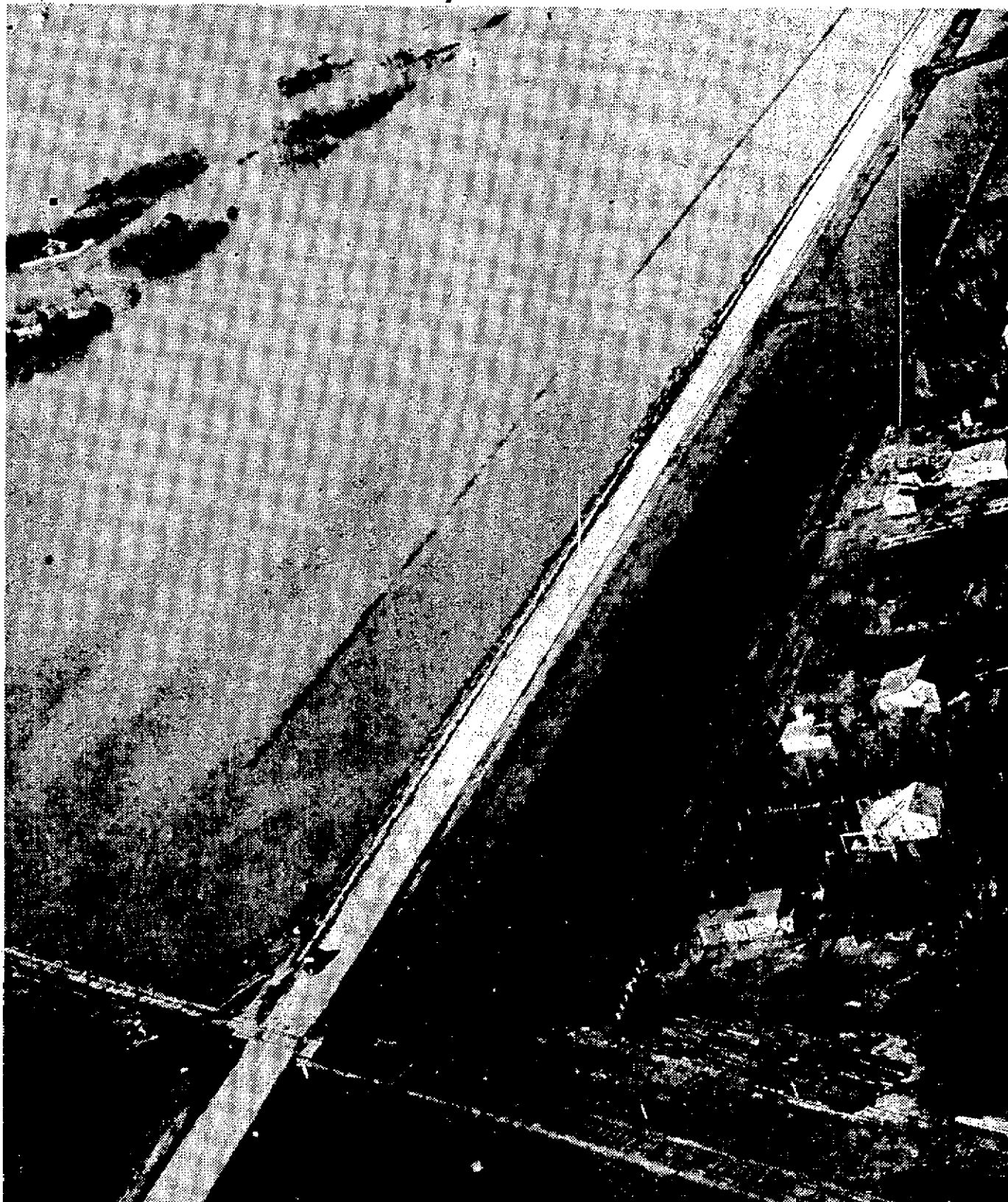
## PM Will Get On-The-Spot View Sunday

Premier D. L. Campbell said Friday he had been advised that Prime Minister Louis St. Laurent will arrive here Sunday afternoon for a first-hand view of flood devastation.

Mr. Campbell, who suggested a few days ago that Mr. St. Laurent might like to make such a visit, said that the prime minister will be accompanied by Hon. S. S. Garson, minister of justice. It will be Mr. Garson's third trip during the flood period.

Mr. St. Laurent and Mr. Garson will travel by plane.

## McGillivray Boulevard Dike



This is the McGillivray boulevard dike running from Pembina highway in Fort Garry toward Fort Whyte. Here a great body of water moving from the south is lapping against the dike which is a bulwark protecting River Heights, Crescentwood and Tuxedo as well as the Fort Rouge yards of the Canadian National railways. Dave Bonner, Free Press photographer, took this air photo Saturday morning.

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# Experts Think Red Receding; Weather 'Not Too Hopeful'

Flood experts said Saturday they thought the flood-swollen Red river might finally be starting on the down-grade in Manitoba.

Early Saturday the river dropped back to 30.2 feet above datum from the high point of 30.3.

Bright sunshine raised hopes that the flood crest was on its way down in Winnipeg.

D. M. Stephens, provincial deputy minister of mines and natural resources, said:

"The situation looks good now. I feel the water is on the down grade although it is too early to predict this is definitely so."

Army flood control headquarters said late Saturday morning there were indications the huge river-created lake in southern Manitoba was beginning to go down a bit on the east side.

Only dark spots in the otherwise bright picture were reports of a rise of .68 of a foot in the Red river level at Fargo, N.D., and a rise of .63 in the Assiniboine level at Brandon.

The weather bureau also said the outlook for the future was "none too hopeful". A disturbance was developing in the United States, a weather spokesman said and was threatening to bring rain northward.

Most critical point in the Greater Winnipeg flood defences, according to army engineers, was still the long dike system in Fort Garry. This, and all other main dikes throughout the city were still holding Saturday morning.

Except for Fargo, the Red dropped at all other points; Grand Forks, 74 feet; Emerson, 21; Morris, 1; Lockport, 1. The river has remained the same at Selkirk for three days.

Small recessions in the Assiniboine level were recorded at both Portage la Prairie and Headingley. Army flood control Saturday morning said there was "no immediate danger" to River Heights or Crescentwood residential areas.

but the Fort Garry dike situation, Fort Garry engineers had caused "consternation" among River Heights residents who feared they were still considered "extremely dangerous."

Previous reports from army and

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## 'Leave City, Stay Away,' Morton Urges

As some of the 106,000 persons who have fled from Winnipeg in the past two weeks began to return to the city Saturday, Brig. R. E. A. Morton warned them to "stay away—any feeling of security is illusory."

Friday only 3,192 evacuees quit Winnipeg. It was the lowest number since the general exodus first began two weeks ago.

The flood fighting commander Saturday renewed his plea for those who could leave Greater Winnipeg to do so.

The danger was not yet over, Brig. Morton emphasized. He termed "unfortunate" and "dangerous" any return to the flood area now.

Totals for Friday's exodus were: by road, 444; air, 107; railways, 2,066 and by bus, 575.

## Winnipeg River Flood Forecast

A record flood is expected in 10 days on the Winnipeg river.

J. W. Sanger, city hydro manager, reported Saturday that water appeared to be reaching a peak high on the Winnipeg river.

He advised, however, that the power situation would likely not be affected greatly. "All arrangements are being made for complete protection. We've been through this before."

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## Small Talk



"Another few days should tell."

**Manitoba FLOOD RELIEF**

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## Some Schools Re-Opening—But Evacuation Goes On

Don't stop evacuating just because some schools are re-opening. That was the plea issued Saturday by Dr. J. C. Pincock, superintendent of city schools. He said the Winnipeg school board felt that re-opening of some schools should not delay evacuation of those who could possibly go—or should it be a reason for the return of any children already evacuated. Children will be fully protected in school standing if they are not at school between now and the summer holidays, Dr. Pincock said. The school board said the schools were open solely to provide a profitable programme for children who for one reason or another were not evacuating and who should be kept off the streets. The board fully endorsed the appeal of flood control headquarters to parents to take their children out of the city and keep them out as long as it was held desirable.

### SUMMER LECTURES IN LAW TO RESUME

Lectures in the summer session of the Manitoba law school, discontinued due to the flood emergency, will resume Monday at 8 a.m. in the law school building.

### TORONTO HUMANE SOCIETY WILL LOOK AFTER PETS

Toronto Humane society headquarters Friday wired Miss Sally Warnock of the Winnipeg society that Winnipeg evacuees to that city wishing to take their pets with them will be met at the Toronto station by officials of the society who will care for the animals during their sojourn in the east.

### Troupe 'Cheerios' Troops In St. James

While Winnipeg theatres were closed during the past week due to flood conditions, members of the Cheerio concert troupe were filling in the entertainment breach with nightly performances for the armed forces in the St. James hall. The shows were under the direction of Miss Mabelle Monnington, with Edgar A. Rose as master of ceremonies. Participating artists were Ken Leyton, Norman Howarth, Jack Oldfield, Beverley Dunsmore and the "Fashionettes," Donna Jackson, Joan Finlay, Marguerite Chapman, Cheryl Page, Helen Hendry, Paul Munson, Norma Hasted, Bill Lesack, Cliff Gardner of CJOJ, Sharon Wedlock, William Worbeck, Irma Conrad, Arletta Busalacchi, Anne Zaeta, Ernie Fletcher, Gordon Harley and Miss Monnington. Accompanists were Mrs. Florence Milne, Irma Conrad and Emma Orr.

### BASEBALL AND BOYS BAD FOR WINDOWS

Boys will be boys, the saying goes. The result? A west-end kitchen window and its companion storm window fell prey to a baseball at noon Friday. Four 17-year-olds, engaged in the "American national pastime" on the Burnell street Kivans playground, were the cause of the damage. Police, who arrived after the boys had settled with the householder, cautioned the boys against playing handball in that area.

### Put Another Sandbag In—And Pull Out Cash

A flood-inspired parody soon will be on its way to radio stations—and record collectors—across Canada. On his morning disc jockey programme over CJOJ, Cliff Gardner lately has been singing two popular tunes with new and timely lyrics. One—with Put Another Nickel In as the recorded background—is called Sandbags, Sandbags. The other: If I Knew You Were Coming I'd Buy a Hat. Now Mr. Gardner's renditions themselves will be recorded and CJOJ has arranged to send them to some 20 Canadian radio stations, with a view to swelling the Manitoba flood relief fund. Radiomen will be asked to play the records and inform their listeners that similar discs may be obtained from the Winnipeg station in exchange for a donation to the fund. Disc distribution will remain with CJOJ.

### FIRE RESCUE SQUAD REVIVES GASSED GIRL

The fire department rescue squad, was called out Friday afternoon to revive a seven-year-old girl who was overcome by carbon monoxide fumes while riding in her father's car, city police said Saturday. According to police, who were called to the ABC Auto Sales, 930 Portage avenue, at 4:09 p.m. Friday, Juozas Deleracius, of 170 Isabel street, had just driven his car into the lot for sale when his daughter Veronica, who was a passenger in the car along with her four-year-old sister Dona, was taken ill. After oxygen was administered by the rescue squad, the small girl was taken to Winnipeg General hospital and treated for carbon monoxide poisoning. Police say the carbon monoxide seeped through unsound flooring in the car.

### Family Bid To Save Cow In Vain

From flood-devastated St. Vital comes the story of a rescue attempt that failed. When swirling waters of the Red river engulfed the market garden and greenhouse of Mr. and Mrs. Alphons Lacoste, the parents and their four children were forced to evacuate. However they had no intention of leaving their milk cow behind. The family piled into a small boat and threw a halter about the cow's neck. Seeing the family's difficulties, soldiers aiding in the St. Vital evacuation came to their rescue. As the luckless animal was being carefully towed to higher ground, debris swirled about her, forced her head beneath water and drowned her. Like thousands of other families throughout flood-stricken Manitoba, the Lacostes are looking to the Manitoba Flood Relief fund to help them rehabilitate.

### May 23 Designated Citizenship Day

Tuesday, May 23, is Canadian Citizenship Day. Marked in most provinces as Empire Day, May 23 has now been set aside by Prime Minister Louis St. Laurent, as a day for distinctive joint observances of common citizenship as a Canadian and as members of the commonwealth. In an address to the house of commons April 28, the prime minister stressed that the citizenship observances should not in any way affect traditional Empire Day celebrations, but rather supplement them. "It is not intended that May 23 should be a public holiday, but that suitable exercises could be observed both in schools and by public-spirited organizations in order that we become more deeply conscious of our own citizenship and all that it implies," he declared. Under the direction of the Canadian Citizenship Council, of Ottawa, plans have been laid for observances of citizenship by schools, community organizations, and church and youth groups throughout the country.

## Churches In North Winnipeg To Appeal For Dike Workers

An appeal for more volunteers to work four-hour shifts at the dikes will be made in all North Winnipeg churches Sunday morning. Letters have been sent to all ministers in North Winnipeg, urging them to appeal to their congregations for further registration to meet any unexpected emergency. Registration will take place at the following schools Sunday: Ralph Brown, King Edward, Champlain, Florence Nightingale, Stella Mission, and Luxton school. There will also be registration facilities at 137 Euclid avenue.

Trucks will be stationed at the registration centres, and will take volunteers to emergency areas. The committee in charge of dike workers stresses the need for more volunteers for night duty. Members of the committee made a personal appeal in North Winnipeg Thursday, asking residents to register for dike-duty. Those speaking on behalf of the committee included: J. M. Hawryluk M.L.A., Dr. J. M. White, Rev. J. M. Stewart, Dean J. O. Anderson, Rev. W. E. McDonald, A. Zaharychuk, school trustee, and Ald. Slav Rebeckuk.

The committee will meet again Sunday afternoon, at Ralph Brown school, Peter Taraska is chairman of the committee, and Miss H. B. Hawryluk is secretary.



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## Flood Bad For If Blaze Hits; Firemen Use Boat Patrol

BY SHIRLEY LEV

Water, the firefighter's friend, has also become the foe in flooded Winnipeg.

A tank of inflammable fluid spilled over in an evacuated industrial building. A bunch of oily rags burst into flames in a deserted home.

But flood waters do not part to provide a route for screaming fire engines.

That is why firefighting boat patrols maintain a constant vigil in three city areas . . . the Lombard avenue, Riverview and Polson avenue districts.

Potential Danger The danger of fire in areas unpopulated by the flood has not been publicly discussed. But it is a potential danger uppermost in the minds of Fire Chief Dave Clawson and his deputy, N. R. Matheson.

"Yes, we have to keep a careful watch now," explains the fire chief.

He let us travel on the fire department's patrols in all three city areas Friday afternoon.

"Water, we have plenty of it," laughed Hugh Lindsay, fireman "admiral" as he navigated the patrol boat over the Lombard avenue "lake."

Debris Everywhere But he returned the blank stare of the windows in flooded buildings with a searching glance. He kept a wary eye on the floating debris, on the ramshackle sheds bobbing between the large industrial blocks.

"A fire wouldn't be an easy thing to fight in five feet of water," he said.

Admiral Lindsay's fleet, like those in the other two patrolled areas, consisted of one boat equipped with pump and fire hose and manned by flood firefighters, who came as volunteers. Friday, Peter Gordon and Joseph Sokalski were on hand.

Caught On Rail Just before we arrived at the Lombard "dock," the patrol boat had been caught on a railway switch completely submerged by river water. "We hung there for a couple of minutes, but managed to jangle it free with the help of another boat," explained Fireman Gordon.

The patrol boat, a former navy whaler, pushed through the water under a railway subway. Over to the left, above the normal channel of the Red, was a sign. It said "Danger, Shallow Water." The fireman navigator laughed.

Debris, most of it logs from a nearby lumber yard, drifted past

in the whirling current of the river.

That was the Lombard avenue "lake."

Big Patrol Area The Riverview "lake" was bigger, in area and in the amount of personal tragedy it exposed. As was the flood-covered patrol area in the Polson avenue district.

"Pretty terrible, isn't it," said Ernie Smith, fireman "admiral" in the Riverview district, as we cruised past hundreds of homes, most of them tragically new, all of them sitting helplessly in six to twenty feet of murky water.

A garage, its roof bright green, bobbed on what once was the boulevard of Morley avenue. It had come from somewhere, nobody knew where.

Volunteer Stewart Patterson's attention was drawn to a wisp of smoke curling from the chimney of an inundated, two-storey home. "Must be somebody on that second floor," he said.

A group of teachers doctored their boat at the front steps of the Riverview school.

"Don't forget to water the plants," yelled "Admiral" Smith. Along Matheson avenue in the north section of the city, we could see our reflections in the second-storey windows of the low-slung homes. One woman had placed jars of preserves along the window sills.

"Never thought that water would reach this far," declared Captain Herbert Pat, volunteer flood firefighter, as he helped Fireman Steve Stefanuk navigate the patrol boat along St. Cross street.

managing the centre first aid post, medical assistance, to render on-call patients, and to offer advice to mothers of sick children.

Nurses are also on call to supplement staff of the Deer Lodge hospital, where temporary wards have been set up to provide bed-space operation to direct evacuees for transient hospital evacuees.

Information from the United States authorities was provided to the public through the local press warning the citizens of the Red river valley of the severity of the coming floods, he said. This information and probably more was available to the government at the time, but nothing was done, Mr. Hastings continued.

"When the flood waters were swirling into Emerson, nothing was done. When evacuees were streaming into the city from points along the valley, no statement was made by the government. The first indication of the severity of our crisis was a plea from the mayor of Morris, speaking from a completely inundated town. Still nothing was said or done."

"When the full emergency hit the city of Winnipeg, and when reassurance to the flooded-out communities south of Winnipeg and to the fighting population of this city was desperately needed, the gov-

ernment's answer was, 'wait and see,' Mr. Hastings stated.

He continued that the suffering citizens of the Red river valley were bankrupting themselves and their municipalities in an endeavor to combat, "the greatest disaster that has overtaken the Dominion of Canada since 1917."

The most recent statement issued by Premier D. L. Campbell was still not specific enough to enable citizens, who have lost their homes and who have mortgaged their future, to make any plans or to fight the flood with any degree of assurance, said Mr. Hastings.

"A coalition government by its very nature cannot result in coherent action in emergencies," he said, and continued that the citizens of the province had a right to demand that the government answer to them for its failings.

TO DONATE PROCEEDS Net proceeds of the Lake Winnipeg Fishermen's annual grand ball, to be held May 24 in the Gimli pavilion, will be turned over to the Manitoba Flood Relief fund. The event was originally scheduled to take place May 12 but was postponed due to the flood crisis.

Pleading guilty to keeping liquor for sale, at 123 Edmonton street, Lewis Reek was fined \$100 and costs or two months in jail, plus a two-week suspended sentence, when he appeared in city police court Saturday.

Failed In First Crisis

Government Inaction Blasted By Hastings

Doctors And Nurses Stand By To Care For Sick Flood DP's

Free use of the schools by community groups in the evenings was advocated in a resolution passed at a meeting of the Y.M.C.A. board of directors recently. The group felt that failure of the parks board and school board to provide for free use of the schools by such groups would result in the city's paying a great deal more to take care of juvenile and youth problems which would arise as a result. "We believe the failure to provide funds is unsound in principle and in practice and that hundreds of youth will be adversely affected as a result. We strongly urge that arrangements for the free use of the schools by community groups be continued," the resolution stated.

Opening of the new Lord Selkirk school has been postponed to May 20 according to an announcement by the Winnipeg school board.

Decision for the postponement was made owing to the danger of flooding in that area if dikes should give way, officials said.

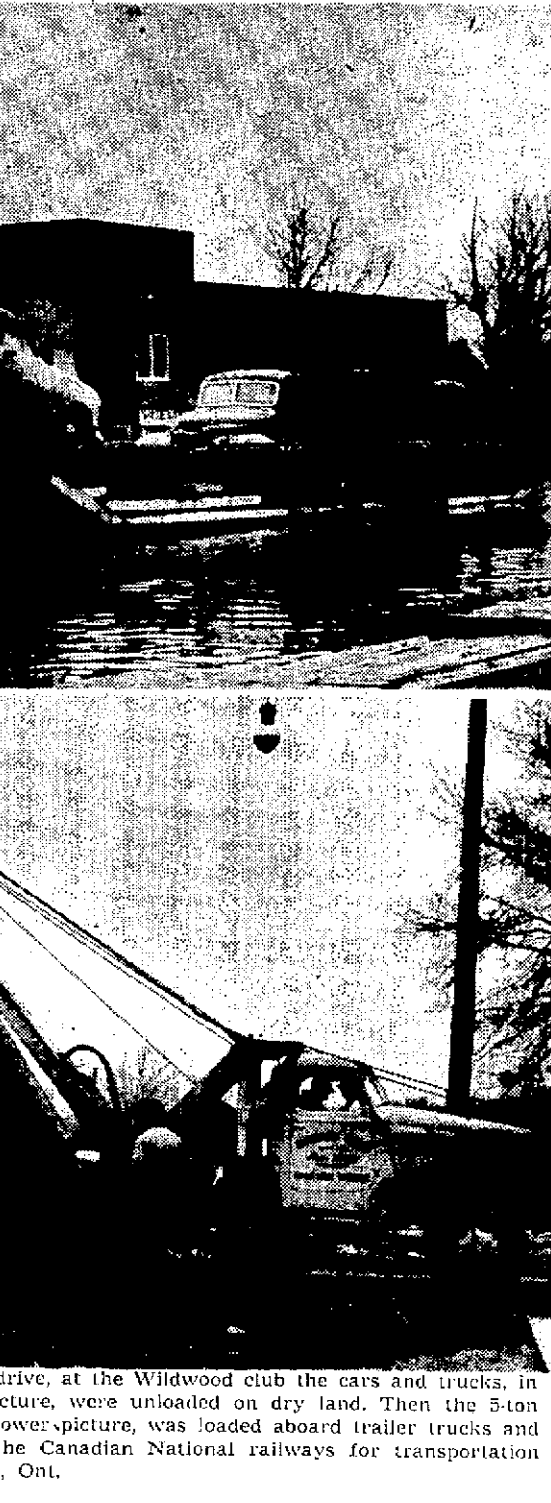
Pupils of grades 10 and 11 from Lord Selkirk school will be temporarily accommodated at Daniel McIntyre school. Students have been asked to meet their principal in the auditorium of General Wolfe school, Ellice avenue and Burnell street. Those who are exempt from further examinations will be informed at this meeting called for Monday.

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## St. Vital Homeowners Urged To Stay Away

An appeal for all evacuated residents of St. Vital not to return to their homes until general flood conditions improve was made Friday by Elwood Bole, mayor of St. Vital.

Since a considerable number of St. Vital residents have been returning to collect personal articles, the drain on transportation and hindrance to workers has made it necessary to issue an appeal, at this time, Mayor Bole said.

Following is a text of his message: "Large numbers of St. Vital residents who have moved to Winnipeg or district are seeking permission to return to their homes to collect personal property. This is creating serious problems for the following reasons:

1. Many of these homes can only be reached by boat and transportation by this means is not available to any great extent.

2. On streets where homes may be reached on foot, deterioration of road beds has resulted in many holes of considerable depth which are a grave hazard.

3. The health problem is also a danger. "The influx of a large number of people at this time makes proper policing extremely difficult. The staff on hand has a big job to do and the extra work entailed hinders this considerably."

"Except in cases of emergency in which every assistance possible will be given, it is requested that residents do not return at this time, thus permitting the staff to carry out essential work without interruption."

"Every effort will be made to rehabilitate St. Vital at the earliest possible moment and information will be broadcast as plans progress. The co-operation of all is requested at this time."

Londoners Give To Mayor's Fund For Flood Relief

The Lord Mayor of London has been authorized to establish a Lord Mayor's fund for flood relief in the Red river valley, either directly or through the newspapers of the United Kingdom, Mayor Garnet Coulter of Winnipeg said Friday.

Funds received in the United Kingdom will be used for the purchase of British-made supplies required for the rehabilitation of flood victims.

Numerous Offers The Lord Mayor of London was authorized to establish an overseas flood fund in view of the large number of cables and letters from all parts of the British Isles received in Winnipeg expressing sympathy and stating a desire to make a financial contribution. Many inquiries from overseas have been received by Mayor Coulter as to where contributions might be made.

"We appreciate to the fullest degree the extent to which the valiant citizens of the British Isles suffered throughout the war and during the aftermath of the war," said Mayor Coulter, in a cable to the lord mayor.

"We hesitate to suggest that your citizens should come to our assistance in our plight as we realize the great task of rebuilding in which you are now engaged. However in view of the expressed wish of those who are in a position to assist us, we should authorize you, if you deem it expedient, to set up a Lord Mayor's fund for flood relief." Mayor Coulter cabled.

Two Receive Fines For Obstruction Of Police Officer

An attempt by two Winnipeg men early Friday to stop a constable by physical force, from breaking up a fist fight had its sequel in city police court when Lorne O'Brien, 136 Selkirk avenue and Henry signal, 151 Lorne avenue, were each fined \$75 and costs or two months in jail for obstructing a police officer.

Both pleaded guilty to grabbing the policeman as the officer attempted to move aside a crowd to separate two brawlers. Ignat was reported to have torn the constable's raincoat in the struggle.

Court was told the policeman had to radio for assistance.

Ignat's brother, Fred, of 113 Edward street, who was sporting an extensive abrasion to his left cheek and eye, pleaded guilty to fighting on the street and was fined \$5 or five days.

His alleged opponent, Harold E. Mowbray of 360 Carlton street, was remanded one week.

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