

THE WEATHER  
LOCAL—Cloudy and  
er tonight; probable occasional  
rains Tuesday.

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# THE EVENING

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JEFFERSONVILLE, INDIANA MONDAY, MARCH

## SCHOOLS AND CHURCHES ARE REHABILITATED

### School Term Probably Will End By Middle Of June.

The way cleared by the Works Progress Administration and City authorities, Jeffersonville High School is now operating six days a week to make up the time lost during the flood.

Meanwhile, men and women WPA workers rolled up their sleeves and continued with the huge task of restoring religious as well as educational life of the city by scouring and refurbishing the city's churches.

"The spirit of our school kids is wonderful," declared Prof. Elmer G. McCullum, City School Superintendent. "I'll wager you older folks never came to school at 7:15 in the morning and on Saturday, too, but our kids were here at that time Saturday, eager to get going."

"The school hours at the High School from Monday to and including Friday, are as follows: morning sessions, 8 to 11:39 o'clock; afternoon sessions, 12:55 to 2:43 o'clock.

"Saturday's classes are called at 7:15 o'clock with dismissal at 12:30 o'clock.

"By working overtime with an intensive program, we expect to finish the year's work a little later than usual about the middle of June, thanks to the fine help of WPA," Prof. McCullum said.

The Taylor Colored High School, last of the city's schools to resume operations, is scheduled to reopen Tuesday morning.

Visits to the city's churches showed practically all of them with at least some clean sanctuary, where services can be held under conditions approaching normal, but the work yet to be done in most of them is still staggering.

Men trailed cleaning mud smeared floors and walls, while women workers washed windows, doors and furniture.

The main auditorium of St. Anthony's Catholic Church has lost its carpets, but pews are back in place on bare floors and the altar and its furnishings are in order.

At Wall Street M. E. church auditorium pews are in place and the rostrum is decorated with potted plants to give a touch of cheerfulness to the dull, washed-out tones left by the flood. The Swartz auditorium annex has been cleaned by WPA for use of the American

## Local Man Held On Fraud Charge

### Bennett L. Gwin Taken To Indianapolis

Charged with embezzlement of \$865 from his brother who is in a Government hospital at Marion, Indiana, Bennett L. Gwin, 41, of Jeffersonville was returned to Indianapolis Saturday night from New Albany.

He was taken into custody earlier in the day by Deputy United States Marshal James M. Campbell, and was unable to post \$500 bond following his arraignment at New Albany.

The warrant was signed by C. A. Mahan, Department of Justice agent. Gwin, officers said, took the money a year ago from Wallace E. Gwin, while serving as his guardian.

## Russia To Cut All Rails To Far East

Soviet Russia intends to suspend all rail traffic between Siberia and Manchuria, it was reported.

It probably will suspend entirely one of the main highways of world travel, the trans-Siberian rail route between Europe and the far East.

The Soviet railway administration already has severed connections between its Ussuri railway and the eastern part of the North Manchuria railway, part of the Manchukuo national system. The connection was broken when the Russians charged Japanese and Manchukuo authorities persecuted their workers at the junction point.

## LOAN PARLEY SET AT INDIANAPOLIS

### City Officials To Interview Gov. Wednesday

Application for a loan from the State to finance the City government for this year, will be made by Mayor Allen W. Jacobs, City Attorney Joseph H. Warder and City Clerk John A. Kennedy at a conference with Governor M. Clifford Townsend, at Indianapolis, at 3 o'clock Wednesday afternoon, it was announced today.

City governmental cost approximates \$110,000 annually, of which \$90,000 is raised from real estate and personalty taxes.

The loan will be sought from a \$1,000,000 revolving fund created by the last Legislature to provide for flood stricken

## BUSINESS MEN TO HOLD MEET TUESDAY EVE.

### 15,000 Letters For Aid To Be Mailed Over Nation

An important meeting of the Clark County Business Men's Association will be held Tuesday evening, at 7:30 o'clock, in the Clark Circuit Court room at the Court House, it was announced.

The Association has taken steps to send 15,000 letters of appeal throughout the nation for financial aid to assist business men and property owners in replacing lost stocks, and repair damaged property. Shirley J. Willecox is chairman of the committee to solicit donations.

Figures are expected to be available at the meeting, showing the losses caused by the flood to business concerns and professional interests.

A committee composed of William Richardson, chairman; Homer D. Smith, Charles H. Rose, George S. O'Bryant, and Mrs. Lorretta M. Howard, mailed questionnaires Thursday asking for the extent of sustained losses to all concerned.

Approximately 400 questionnaires were mailed, although only 56 replies have been received, according to Mr. Richardson.

The data collected is to be used by a committee, to be named later, in a campaign at Washington, in urging the passage of Joint Resolution No. 236, which proposes to make \$50,000,000 immediately available for flood stricken communities.

When a hearing on the measure is held before a joint committee of Senators and Congressmen, it is planned to have a delegation from the Business Men's Association present to further interest in its passage. Senator Sherman Minton informed the committee from the group, which recently went to Washington seeking enactment of the measure, that a hearing will be held soon at a joint session of the lawmakers.

Judge George C. Kopp will preside at the meeting tomorrow night.

## H. N. CROOKER TO SPEAK AT ROTARY

H. N. Crooker, superintendent of the Colgate-Palmolive-

## Olden Times Review Flood of 1884

### February 1884

### "THE LAST DAYS OF THE FLOOD"

"The last days of the flood may be quickly described as waiting patiently for the fall of the waters. It is unnecessary to multiply words by attempting a detailed account of each day from Saturday till this day. It would be a tedious repetition of a sad tale of sickening distress. It was not until Monday night the waters showed an agreeable haste in their declension. It was on Monday that the dove found a resting place on Spring Street for the sole of her feet. Tuesday, Wednesday and today the waters receded rapidly.

"In closing this remarkable and pathetic chapter, a question of duty arises. We do not desire to trifle with the feelings of the people. We do not wish to paint sunshine where there must be a lurid cloud. We do not wish to excite hope where naught but despair can survive. But it would be wrong to add to the depression of the public spirit by taking a misanthropic view of the situation. We would injure the maternal interests of our citizens, and keep away enterprise, by speaking gloomily of the future. People talk lightly when they say we cannot recover from the disaster that has overtaken us. Courage will be at a very low ebb when it is ready to sit down supinely and await starvation or death from ennui. We would rather perish bravely fighting the foe, than fall in retreat. The act is that the most of us are here, and here we must stay. Since sad experience teaches us we cannot now be sure of exemption from floods any year, then let us prepare to conquer. First, let all repairs that are made be of the most substantial nature. In fixing fences put the posts deep in the earth. Anchor everything securely to the earth, and let experience teach our people all things necessary to neutralize the damage of the water. In the future, in building homes, let the people seek the high lands on Spring Hill, and out toward Claysburg, where there is no probabilities of the flood reaching them. There is plenty of high land in the eastern portion of the city and in Port Fulton. If people, after our experience in 1883, pursue their old way of doing things, the future sufferings will be their own fault. For our part we are not ready to give up the good old town of Jeff yet. We think there is a

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A program of the debris and silt from of Jeffersonville inaugurated next was announced Hughes, WPA supervisor member of the Board. Removal of debris will be started of flushing of the city is completed. men are removing the city thorough fire hose, night o'clock to 6 o'clock morning.

It was emphasized debris must be placed feet of the property. collections will not yond the five-foot. It is planned to divide into five districts. ject. Thirty truck WPA workmen will the work.

Persons piling gutters and sidewalks secured. It is necessary for tice be stopped so and other drainage will not be over-stated.

Joseph G. Cray WPA supervisor was ed in charge of act fersonville shortly flood waters had been recalled to quarters at Indiana WPA work program ped out by Mr. C as the clean-up work an advanced stage ception of a few M. Grantz, WPA S. Construction in C will superintendent.

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### Technicalities Hamper State Program

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