

er Flood Drops

Williamstown Suffers Loss Of Private Bridges, Sheds

Four Families Evacuated—Numerous Homes With Flooded Cellars Lack Central Heating—Northrup House Suffers Most Damage.

The cattle of Floyd Hall were moved from their barn on Green River road to the Taconic Lumber Co. barn on Sandy Hill road in the Green river overflowed the banks. Later yesterday the cattle were moved to the Richard Stevens farm on State road.

At 4:45 o'clock the fire alarm called for the fire engine and pumper. Headed by Fire Chief Thomas F. Welch the men manned pumps at the Gevaert company plant and moved photo-

hose were carried away. So extreme was the danger that all furniture was taken to the Grange hall for storage. Miss Hall was taken to the home of neighbors.

Other property damage included the loss of three barrels of kerosene and the shambles at the abutments of Hubblell bridge on Blair road. A crack also has appeared in the concrete wall of the bridge, but it has been declared braced. Cellars of innumerable homes, churches, schools, and oil burner fires, and industries were damaged by flood waters.

By yesterday morning, the

It then became apparent that the situation was of a serious nature and that the men would be required to remain on duty until the firemen met, to handle the emergency. All three selectmen remained on constant duty until the morning the danger was past. Meeting with the Chief of Police George A. Royal, the selectmen set up emergency headquarters.

Water System Survives

The selectmen, who are also firemen, were called upon to make periodic inspection trips to the reservoir. It was found that the water level was dropping properly, however, as a safeguard to health an order to boil all water was issued.

John Stetson, in charge of emergency relief, headed a group of men assigned to evacuate the reservoir. The selectmen, Mr. and Mrs. Moscone, evacuated Mr. and Mrs. Moscone and their four children from a cabin which they occupy at the reservoir, after allowing the

Volunteer guards under Chief of Police George A. Royal, were stationed on roads until midnight, when the firemen were alerted with the reopening of the State road to North Adams and the resumption of traffic.

Flooded cellars, the most inconvenient, with many families having to pull oil burners out of the cellars, were received call after call for help in pumping out cellars and men of the Water department worked the day and night. The day last night the men were sent home to rest. However, they were called on the job early this morning.

Phone Force Busy

Telephone operators handled a record number of calls. Frank McGowan, of North street was alone on duty during the night and maintained service to the public. The young girls worked without pause dur-

Brookbrook endangered the building. The Moscos were given shelter at the parsonage of the First Christian National church. Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Conners and the family of James T. Tilton of Oakley street, adjacent to Doctor Brookbrook, were evacuated when they entered their home. They were taken to the Kappe Alpha house.

At 3 o'clock yesterday morning Mrs. Joseph Schmed, chairman of the local branch of the Red Cross, set up an emergency canteen at the office of the visiting nurse and fed the relief workers throughout the day.

National Guardsmen Mobilized After 24 Hours of Flood Duty

Mayor Issues Dismissal Order. Today—Guardsmen Evacuated Persons, Guarded Bridges and Other Danger Spots, and Patrolled Against Looting—Pittsfield Companies Aided Local Unit.

Mayor James A. Bove's dismissal order today morning after 28 hours of continuous rain, ordered guardsmen to evacuate persons from their flooded homes, guard the bridges and other danger spots and patrol the streets to prevent looting.

Mobilized at 3.

Members of Co. K, local guard unit, were mobilized by the mayor at 3 o'clock today morning when it became apparent that North Adams had reached a major flood condition. The force of 120 men prevented by the local unit was joined at 10 o'clock every

carrying portable radios, toured the flood area giving emergency aid and guarding against looting of vacated homes.

As the seriousness of the situation became apparent, the guardsmen were moved from various sections, but the entire force of about 245 men was kept alert at the Drury-encampment, where they ate and slept.

At time of dismissal this morning, the guardsmen were stationed on the Brown street bridge, on Eagle street, at the bridges on Union and Beaver streets and at the junction of Miller and East Main streets.

F. & W. Loses

R. Section of Track

The Hoosac Tunnel & Wilmington railroad suffered costly damage in yesterday's flood, which was the first time the railroad right of way opposite the Deerfield Glassine company at Monroe Bridge.

The Deerfield Bridge paper plant escaped damage because of the precautions taken. A force of men, removed between 20 and 30 feet of the river bottom on the river floor of the mill while another crew sandbagged the windows of the lower level, and pumped out water as fast as it entered. The only damage to the mill property was the undermining of the concrete walk to the edge of the river.

Directly across the Deerfield, where freight cars were lost in the 1927 flood, the section of

In addition to these groups, details of 10 men each aided in the evacuation of families from the area. Patrols were sent throughout the city. Jeep patrols