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Flood Waters Again

Menace Republican Valley

The Republican river, fed by swollen creeks from both north and south, again became a raging torrent Sunday night, June 16th, trapping several hundred families and railway grade, washed through partially reconstructed homes, and caused many thousands of dollars' loss across farm lands in which valley farmers had sought to plant their crops.

Terrestrial rains, ranging from an inch to 5 or 6 inches to the north and south, added to the Shadley Camp Creek and its tributaries, emptying into the Republican.

Warnings that the river was rising were given out earlier than ever before than it had during the flood of May 26, were received in all town up and down the valley. Farmers, however, had sought safety in the hills. Citizens of Trenton and Purdey, the latter of which had been inundated previous flood, moved up on the hills as the angry waters rose higher and higher. The water reached a point three feet deep in Trenton and Culbertson streets as floodwaters to the north sent a wave of water down the valley. The bridge at Purdey was washed away, leaving the town cut off from the north and south.

The bridge across the Muddy just west of Stratton, which withstands the most severe flooding, was washed away last night and dry. Sunday night was the last approach for 50 or 60 feet of the bridge. The water was 10 feet of the east bank north of the bridge was washed away. Only the bridge piers, which were built to break, giving the water a wide path to the river, prevented the water from flooding the main part of Stratton, as did two weeks ago.

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THE WEDDING MUST GO ON!

With the bride's wedding gown at her house across the river and no bridge available, Mr. and Mrs. George Porter ventured to get the dress. They swam the river, got the dress, swam back again, the wedding went on, and everybody was happy.

Stratton Water OK

One of the most welcome bits of news of the past week was received from the State laboratories at Lincoln, to the effect that Stratton's water supply is safe. No water purifiers might be present in the water prescribed the Village Board to send water in a test.

GOOD PAPERS ARE POPULAR

One of the most popular items of news in the columns of the Stratton News, containing the story and pictures of the flood of May 26, were the letters from people and relatives and friends all over the United States and Canada. We will have a few copies left.

PREPARE FOR SUMMER

With the arrival of the coming of the summer, we are prepared for the summer; no radio interference—ELECTRIC FAN

\$1.59

Andriole Drug Store.

NEIGHBORLY NEIGHBORS

The club met Thursday, June 15th, with Mrs. Ernest Weston. There were six members present. Guests were: Mrs. Arch Bernard and daughter, White and Maxine; Mrs. Ida Gummere and son, Paul.

The afternoon was spent painting quilts, making hats, and knitting. Ice cream, cake and grape punch was served.

The next meeting will be with Mrs. Thomas Welsh on June 27. Please bring hoops, thimbles and needles.

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BURLINGTON AGAIN SUFFERS SERIOUS DAMAGE

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ADMIRE LORANCE

A pretty church standing on the hillside above the town, the Stratton Methodist church, Wednesday, June 15th, at 2:00 P. M., solemnly dedicated its new organ.

Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Lorance, pastor to Abyssinia Africa, presided.

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