

Morehead Turns To General Cleanup After Last Rites Are Held For 25 Flood Victims

MOREHEAD, with its flood dead buried, is turning 100-per cent attention to restoration of some semblance of order from a scene of chaos which followed a cloudburst and "flash" flood.

Leila Crosthwait, stenographer, who compiled the death report for Coroner Leslie Caskey, announced Saturday that the death toll at Morehead was 25 with all bodies recovered. Miss Crosthwait announced that 13 persons are reported missing in rural sections of Rowan county, bringing the Triplitt creek flood toll to 38 dead.

Miss Elsie Tolliver, of 1234 23rd street, went to Morehead to at-

tend services for her mother, Mrs. Emma Tolliver, 77, who was one of 25 drowned in the Rowan county town.

Funeral services were held for James Ehmer Sparkman, 8, Paul Edwin Sparkman, 6, Thelma Lee Sparkman, 3, and Robert Sparkman, 7 months, children of Mr. and Mrs. Clellis Sparkman.

Services also were conducted for Mrs. Mary Frances Salyers, 25, wife of Curt Salyers, and children Ivan, 8, Robert, 6, and Alberta, 3. Services for Mrs. Mahala Mae Ratliff, mother of Mrs. Salyers and her son, Loren Ratliff, 8, were held jointly with services for the Salyers' family.

Bodies of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Porter were taken to Morgan county for burial. Mr. Porter was a World war veteran.

Bodies of Mrs. Geneva Amburgey and children, Marjie, 13, and Orma Ray, were taken to Fleming county for burial.

Services for Sylva Lee Perry, her sister, Mrs. Lula Mae Collins, and daughter, Maggie Frances Collins, 12, were held near Morehead.

Services for Mrs. Minnie Ann Margaret McRoberts, 65, her daughter-in-law, Mrs. Walter McRoberts, and her son, Harrison

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McRoberts, 12, were held near Morehead. The trio was drowned at Cranston on north fork of Triplitt creek.

Nelson Cox, 580 Glenwood avenue, New Boston, has returned from Clearfield, near Morehead, where he assisted his sister, Mrs. C. B. Beair, and family, who had narrow escapes from the flood and suffered heavy loss.

Mrs. Beair was awakened by water entering her home. By the time she awakened her five children it was too late to escape the house. A son, Estel, 20, climbed through a clothes press and cut a hole into the attic and from the attic cut a hole through the roof. He assisted his mother and brothers and sisters to the roof where they spent the night while the house floated.

Mr. Cox said virtually every home and property in Clearfield was damaged badly. Two brickyards and a tieyard suffered heavy loss.

Sought Safety In Hills

Louis C. Finger, 504 Fifth street, received word Saturday that his mother, Mrs. Bertha Finger, and his sister, Miss Irene Finger, who live at Haldeman, were safe. Mrs. Finger and daughter vacated their home when the flood approached and took refuge in the hills. The house and garden were damaged badly. Miss Finger is bookkeeper for Haldeman Brick Co.

S. E. Ruth, superintendent of Hartison-Walker Refractories Co., has returned from Olive Hill, where he inspected flood damage. Mr. Ruth reported his company suffered a \$1,000 loss when a tramway, used to haul clay from mines to the plant, was washed away. The company's plant and homes are above the flood stage.

The business district of Olive Hill suffered a heavy loss, Mr. Ruth said. Water was from 4 to 8 feet deep in the business district and caused much mercantile damage.

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