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, an-
nounced Saturday that the death
toll at Morehead was 25 with all
bodies recovered. Miss Cro-
sthwait announced that 13 persons
are reported missing in rural sec-
tions 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, 6, Paul
Edwin Sparkman, 6, Thelma Lee
Sparkman, 3, and Robert Spark-
man, 7 months, children of Mr.
and Mrs. Clellie 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. Ma-
hala Mae Ratliff, mother of Mrs.
Salyers and her son, Loren Rat-
liff, 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 Ambur-
gey and children, Marjie, 13, and
Orma Ray, were taken to Flem-
ing county for burial.

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

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