Everyone Helped in Everyone's Fight to Straitjacket the River

Flood-fighting officials bemoan the fact that they can never give individual thanks to the thousands who joined in the battle. The photos below are of typical individuals who joined in one brawny force to repel the invader.

A boss . . . Capt. David M. Bailey, Fort Leonard Wood.

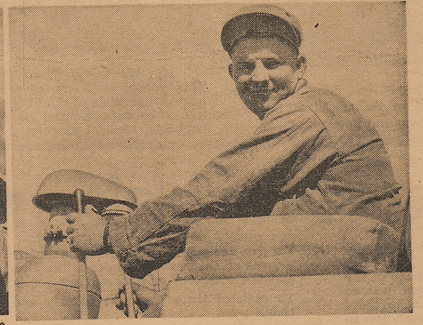
An expert . . . Herb Jackson, Memphis, Tenn.

A shoveler . . . Chuck Johnson, Council Bluffs.

A Red Cross girl . . . Karen Sorensen, Council Bluffs.

A volunteer . . . Ivan Ives, Council Bluffs.

A soldier . . . S. Sgt. Leandro Rosario, Camp McCoy.



A bulldozer driver . . . Virgil Dunn, Red Oak, Ia.

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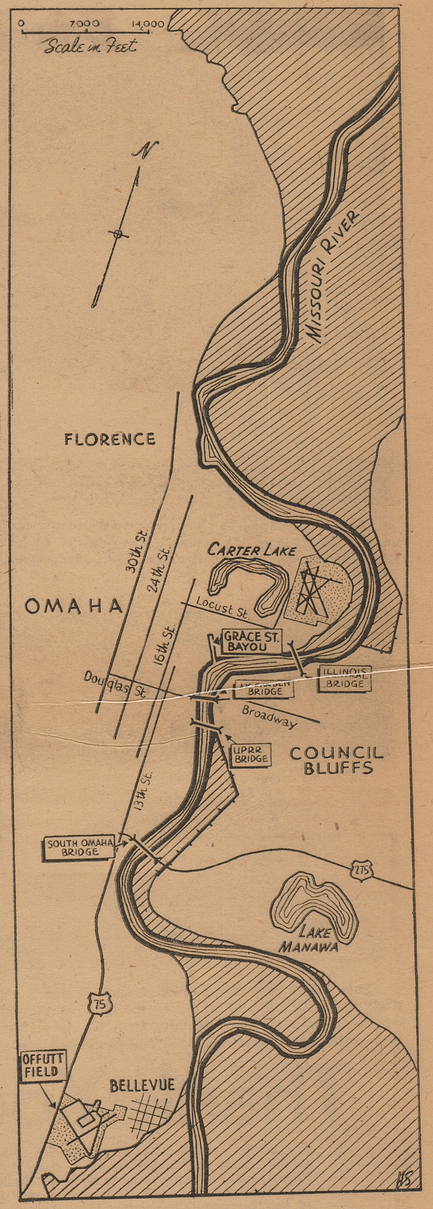

Omaha-Bluffs Funnel—Water that poured over lowlands from bluff to bluff above Omaha and Council Bluffs and stretched up to 14 miles in width had to pass through a funnel a scant quarter-mile wide where the Ak-Sar-Ben Bridge crosses the river. The tremendous pressure of this narrow waterway against the dikes that protected Omaha and Council Bluffs is what caused anxious minutes, hours and days in the two cities.

At Left

Can't Quit Now—When engines couldn't do the job, people could. This truck, helpless to fight the Grace Street sewer break, became stuck in the slimy roads. Quickly 15 men from a sandbag crew put their shoulders to the job and freed the truck to go for another load of sandbags.

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