

Inundation in and near Passau /Danube

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The ancient town of Passau that had endured many inundations, was again the scene for a water-catastrophe. The surface of the Danube was 5.30 metres higher as it is normally. 400 houses were inundated, and 1.500 people had to leave their homes. The inundation was caused by an ice-swell which prevented the water from flowing down. The ice-masses rebounded with much noise against the pillars of the Max-Bridge which had to be closed for traffic. - Policemen brought first aid with motor-boats, and evacuated the population from the endangered houses.